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ROLL OF HONOUR.

IN MEMORIAM.

HOLMES—In loving memory of Major Philip Armstrong Holmes, Divisional Commissioner, R.I.C., who died of wounds at Cork 29th January, 1921.

BIRTHS.

CALWELL—January 23, 1924, to Captain and Mrs. W. M. Calwell, Rathgar House, Orwell rd., a daughter.

CLERY—January 26, 1924, at Stella Maris, Earlsfort tce., to Mr. and Mrs. Claude V. Clery, "San Remo," Booterstown, a son.

DARDIS—January 20, 1924, at "Carrigairt," Kilkenny, to Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Dardis, a daughter.

NESBITT—January 25, 1924, at Denmark House, 37 Lower Leeson st., Dublin, to Mr. and Mrs. R. Nesbitt, "Rosevale," Cookstown, a daughter.

WOODWARD—January 28, 1924, at Kinnaird Private Nursing Home, Belfast, to Alice and Harry Woodward, a son.

MARRIAGES.

FOLEY and WITHERSPOON—January 24, 1924, by special licence, by Rev. D. D. Boyle, M.A., Robert Chambers, only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Foley, 88 Ardenlee av., Belfast, to Elsie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Witherspoon, 88 Ravenhill av., Belfast.

KELLY and GAHAN—January 16, 1924, at the University Church, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, by the Rev. J. Hanton, C.C., assisted by the Rev. J. Rossiter, Adm., and Rev. J. W. O'Byrne, P.P., Thomas, second son of Edward Kelly, Garrenstackle, Bree, to Dora M., fifth daughter of James and Mrs. Gahan, Tubbergal, Ferns, Co. Wexford.

MATCHETT and HOPKINS—January 12, 1924, at St. Stephen's Church, Toronto, by Rev. — Wallace, Ernest R. Matchett, of Toronto, to Mary C. Hopkins, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins, Mitchelston, Athboy.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on page 4.

BARKER—January 26, 1924, at Sexton st., Limerick, John Waddy, second surviving son of the late John and Sophia Barker, Arragurtin House, Gorey, and Furlongtown, Horetown, Foulksmills, nephew of the late Doctor John Waddy, Clo'east Castle, Churchtown, Co. Wexford, aged 78 years. Psalm civ, verse 23. Interred at St. Munchin's, Limerick, yesterday (Monday), January 28th. Australian and New Zealand papers please copy.

BARR—January 24, 1924, at 1 Lawrence st., Glasgow, Maud Elizabeth, second daughter of the late James Hammond Barr, C.E., of Edenderry, King's Co., and Mrs. Barr. Australian and American papers please copy.

BENSON—January 27, 1924, Lucy, eldest daughter of the late Henry and Anne Benson, of this city. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." Funeral to Mount Jerome to-morrow (Wednesday) at 10.30 a.m.

BRUSH—January 26, 1924, at Drumnabreeze, Co. Down, A. E. Brush, J.P., in his 93rd year. Funeral to-day (Tuesday), 29th inst., leaving Drumnabreeze 10.30. Service Dromore Cathedral at 11.30. Interment in Drumgooland.

CHARTERS—January 27, 1924, at Loughgall, Co. Armagh, Alexander Charters, late of Garvagh, Co. Longford. Funeral to Clonbroney, Ballinalee, to-morrow (Wednesday), arriving at Ballinalee (*via* Granard) at 2.30.

DIMIER—January 28, 1924, at London, Georges Dimier, Principal of Dimier Bros. and Co.

HENNESEY—January 27, 1924, at the Richmond Hospital, Patrick R. Hennesey, late Assistant Master The Union. R.I.P. Remains were removed from the hospital to James' st. Chapel yesterday (Monday) evening at 8 o'clock. Funeral from James' st. Chapel this (Tuesday) morning, after 10 o'clock Mass, to Glasnevin Cemetery.

HENRY—January 28, 1924, at his residence, 3 West View tce., Adelaide rd., Bray, Patrick Henry, to the inexpressible grief of his sorrowing wife and family. Funeral strictly private. No flowers.

HOBBS—Monday, January 28, 1924, at Adelaide Hospital, Dublin, Louie, wife of George Hobbs, 33 Cherryfield av., Ranelagh. Funeral private. No flowers.

HODGES—January 26, 1924, at 2 Glasthule tce., Sandycove, Kate, daughter of the late William H. Hodges, of this city. R.I.P. Funeral (private) took place yesterday (Monday) Dean's Grange.

HUGHES—January 28, 1924, at his residence, 21 Ashfield rd., Ranelagh, after a tedious illness, patiently borne, Michael Hughes, aged 76 years, for many years connected with Messrs. Henshaw and Co. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife, family, relations, and a large circle of friends. R.I.P. Funeral to Glasnevin Cemetery 9 o'clock to-morrow (Wednesday) morning.

KEELAN—January 27, 1924, at Ballinderry House, Mullingar, Patrick Keelan, aged 72 years. Office and High Mass 11 a.m. Mullingar Cathedral to-morrow (Wednesday). Funeral for Walshestown Cemetery 2 p.m. No flowers.

KIELY—January 26, 1924, at 5 Mountjoy square, Dublin, Rebecca, dearly-loved wife of Thomas Kiely, and youngest daughter of the late George Watson, Derrygarron, King's Co. Funeral to-day (Tuesday) at 12 o'clock to Old Saint George's Burial Ground.

LANE—January 26, 1924, at her son-in-law's residence, St. Brandon's, Cork, Mary Frances, widow of Denny Lane, M.A., B.L. R.I.P.

MacNICOL—January 25, 1924, at his residence, 8 Eglinton rd., Dublin, John MacNicol. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by special request.

MacNICOL—January 26, 1924, at Military Hospital, Millbank, London, Robert Heuston MacNicol, Major, R.A.M.C., eldest child and only son of John MacNicol, 8 Eglinton rd., Dublin. Funeral private. No flowers.

McNALLY—January 28, 1924, at her residence, 34 Hill st., Newry, Maudie, the dearly-beloved wife of Leo McNally and darling child of Teresa and John J. McArevey, Courtenay Hill House, Newry. R.I.P. Funeral to Old Chapel Cemetery to-morrow (Wednesday) at 2.30 o'clock. No flowers.

MASTERSON—January 28, 1924, at Cortown, Kells, Eva, eldest daughter of the late John Masterson, J.P. Deeply and deservedly regretted by her mother, brothers, and sisters. R.I.P. Office and High Mass at Cortown to-morrow (Wednesday) 11 o'clock. Funeral, 2 o'clock, from Church.

MIDDLETON—January 28, 1924, at his residence, 33 Marlborough rd., Donnybrook, John Middleton. Funeral private. No flowers, by special request.

MURPHY—January 28, 1924, at Cork st. Hospital, Janie, the eldest daughter of the late John Murphy, 7 Eldon tce., S.C. rd., Dublin. Deeply regretted. Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday) morning from hospital at 9.30 for Mount Jerome.

NOBLE—January 26, 1924, at Woodview, Collooney, Mary, wife of Robert J. Noble. Funeral at 1 p.m. to-day (Tuesday), 29th inst., to St. Paul's, Collooney.

PARNELL—January 27, 1924, at the Adelaide Hospital, Margaret, beloved wife of William George Parnell, of Kilmurray Grove Lodge, Bray, Co. Wicklow.

ROGERS—January 10, 1924, at her residence, Dunleckney, Bagenalstown, Katie, second youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Henry Rogers. Deeply regretted. "Safe in the arms of Jesus."

SWAN—On Monday, January 28, 1924, at her residence, Glasslough, Louie, widow of the late William Swan, *Northern Standard*, Monaghan, aged 90. Funeral to Ballyalbany to-morrow (Wednesday), 30th January, leaving Glasslough at 11 o'clock, arriving Ballyalbany 12 o'clock. No flowers, by request.

WADDELL—January 24, 1924, suddenly, at 34 Elmwood av., Belfast, William Reeves, youngest son of George W. Waddell, Islandderry House, Dromore, Co. Down.

WHITE—January 27, 1924, at 21 Church st., Holywood, John White, ex-Sergeant R.I.C. (late of Sommerhill, Co. Meath), aged 76. Funeral at 2.30 p.m. to-day (Tuesday) to Holywood Burying Ground.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Lady Bradstreet wishes to thank her numerous friends for their kind expressions of sympathy on the death of her husband, the late Sir Edward Simon Victor Bradstreet, and trusts they will each accept this expression of her thanks until such time as she is able to write to them individually.

Miss Hegarty, Mountain View, Bray, desires to express thanks to her many kind friends who sympathised with her in her recent sad bereavement.

The Misses Lilburn, 27 Waltham tce., Blackrock, Co. Dublin, return sincere thanks to their numerous friends for letters and telegrams of sympathy on the death of their dear mother, and hope they will accept this acknowledgment.

Mrs. A. O'M. Lovell, Waterford, returns sincere thanks for all the kind sympathy shown her in her great sorrow. Owing to the number of letters she has received she is unable to answer them individually.

The parents, sisters, and brother, also uncle, of the late **William Shackleton** desire to return sincere thanks to the many kind friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM.

CLANCY—Ninth Anniversary—In sorrowing, loving memory of Alderman John Clancy, Sub-Sheriff and Lord Mayor-elect of Dublin, died 29th January, 1915. R.I.P. Also his wife, Elizabeth, who died 30th June, 1921. "Thy will be done."

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WANTED, young Gentlewoman, good needlewoman, daily, take charge child three, Kingstown; good remuneration; hours 10-6.—F 187, this office. 24 B

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MOTOR NOTES: PROBLEM OF PRICES.

By Our Motoring Correspondent.

Are prices likely to fall? In considering this question—and a great many persons have been considering it recently—several factors must be taken into account. First of all, there is the political question. Mr. Ramsay Macdonald promised some time ago that when he came into office he would abolish the import duty on motor cars. His promise, of course, has no direct interest for the people of the Irish Free State, but if he redeems it in the British Budget we probably will feel the backwash of it here. A reduction in the cost of American cars in the British market would force British manufacturers to follow suit in order to hold their trade.

On the other hand, it is a fact that during the last few months virtually every material used in motor car construction has increased in price. The effect of this increase is reflected in the cost of at least one well-known British car and several American and French cars.

My view is that while there may be some slight readjustments—some up and some down—in prices the present level will be maintained during the year, and that no potential purchaser should hesitate to make his bargain with his dealer now.

Motor Trains.

The plight of the small railways that are partially supported by the rates has been discussed in various quarters recently. The County Councils say that the ratepayers do not get value for their money, and the Government has been urged to introduce remedial measures. What the outcome will be nobody can tell; but it is certain that sweeping changes must be made soon.

I wonder whether any railway expert in the Free State has explored the question of bringing the ubiquitous motor car into service on these small lines. In the United States the experiment has been tried with success in several areas which could not afford to maintain up-to-date engines and rolling stock; and in parts of England the motor train is giving good service, particularly for traffic between cities and their suburbs. During the present month the Midland and Scottish Railway Company has instituted a motor train service between Coleraine and Portrush, and I hear that the results so far have been satisfactory.

The cars used are virtually the same as those that run from Dublin to Swords, except, of course, that the wheels are adapted for running on railway lines, and they are particularly comfortable vehicles. There is no reason why on cars of this description the driver should not also act as conductor, and thus reduce the running costs to a minimum.

Small Car Trial.

The R.A.C. is arranging to hold a six days' trial for small cars. The cubic capacity of the engines of eligible cars must not exceed 1,600 c.c., and the classification for the trial will be based on price. The trial will occupy six days, and will be held about the middle of May. It will be held from one centre in England, the cars returning to the same depôt every night, where they will be locked up.

Each of the six routes will be of about 160 miles, and will include a strenuous hill, up which the cars will be timed. The regulations, which will be available shortly, have been drafted with the view of making the results of the trial really informative to the prospective owner of a small car. The trials will be confined to stock cars, and the tests will be so arranged that they will provide answers to practically every question that may arise in the mind of the thoughtful buyer.

The information obtained in the tests will show what the owner will have to pay in the first instance, and what he will get for his money in the way of accommodation, comfort and accessories. It will also show if the car is speedy, if it is a good hill-climber, how it "picks up," if it is reliable, and how much attention it requires to keep it running.

The records will also show the nature and cost of any replacements. Consumption of fuel and oil will, of course, be dealt with, and tyre trouble will be recorded.

The Scottish Show.

The Scottish Motor Show, notwithstanding the difficulties created by the railway strike, is proving a success. Some 450 cars and nearly 250 motor cycles are on view in the Kelvin Hall, Glasgow. These figures indicate the importance which the show has attained during the last 22 years. Indeed, it may be said that the Scottish Exhibition ranks next to that which the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders hold at Olympia. In character it is more international than any show on the Continent or in the United States.

Scottish agents cater for a shrewd and thrifty public that demands a wide range of cars from which to choose. The merits of the home-built car and the English-built car are recognised and appreciated in Scotland, but the discriminating Scot, who likes value for his money, demands that the best which the foreign manufacturers can produce shall be at the show for his inspection. The agents see to it that the demand is met. There is no room at the Kelvin Hall for the "dud stuff" that occupies some of the space at Olympia. Consequently the exhibits are restricted to cars that can be recommended with confidence to give good service.

An Irish Show?

It seems curious that Scotland, a smaller country than ours, has a show of such importance, while there is none in Ireland. The anomaly seems all the greater when it is remembered that London can be reached more easily from Edinburgh and Glasgow than from Dublin, Belfast and Cork.

In recent years a motor exhibition in Dublin would have been a failure owing to the unsettled state of the country. But now we are at peace, and all our thoughts and energies are turned to work of reconstructing our trade and prosperity. Is it too much to hope that, if not this year, then next year, there may be an Irish Motor Show?

Ireland is an expanding market for motor cars. The demand is at least as keen as it is in Scotland, and is likely to increase when our roads are put into better order. The public is entitled to see at home what the favoured few who can afford the trip see at Olympia.

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WANTED, a good Secondhand, Light Motor Cycle Combination.—F 515, this office.

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FORD Ton Van for Sale, in good order, pneumatic tyres, detachable rims and spares; price £80.—Coleman, Garage, Carlow. 24 B

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CHAUFFEURS CONTINUED.

DISENGAGED.

CHAUFFEUR General seeks position, Fords, gate change; good references; city preferred.—Hayden, 78 Lower Leeson street, Dublin. 25 C

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TUITION by young Teacher for pupils at their homes, also first violin lessons; fee moderate.—F 522, this office. 27 D

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EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

A YOUNG Lady Shorthand Typist (100 words), also Bookkeeping, seeks post in city office or business place; highest references.—F 234, this office. B

ASSISTANT, Grocery, Provisions, 3½ years' experience high class trade, seeks change; reasonable terms. Address "Z 4430, Assistant," this office. 24 B

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EMPLOYMENT WANTED CONTINUED.

COUNTRY Girl requires post as Mother's Help.—Lillie M'Cabe, Kingscourt, Co. Cavan. 25 B

COMPANION Housekeeper in city; experienced; good references.—F 498, this office.

CIVIL Engineer, experience of surveying, levelling, and working drawings, desires post as Assistant or Draughtsman; willing to assist in general office work.—F 529, this office. 28 C

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CELLO—Experienced 'Cellist open to engagements; city preferred.—F 539, this office. 28 F

COMPANION Help (I.C.) seeks post to lady; plain cooking, help housework; a good knowledge of dairy; or would care children; maid kept; state salary. Address "Z 4503, Help," this office. 28 C

EDUCATED Youth seeks position as Junior Clerk; small salary to start; can be highly recommended.—F 379, this office. 25 C

EXPERIENCED young Lady wishes position in Delph and Haberdashery; excellent references.—F 424, this office. 26 C

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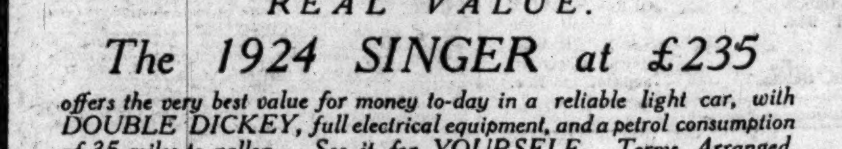

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RELIABLE Painter, Paperhanger, Grainer seeks employment; exceptionally moderate.—Tate, rear 49 Mountjoy square. 28 E

SECRETARIAL or other light Clerical Work desired by Gentleman to whom occupation is more important than remuneration.—F 296, this office. 25 C

SHORTHAND Typist seeks position; 5 years' experience.—F 542, this office.

SHOPKEEPERS wanting reliable Assistants write, stating wages, etc., Express Registry, Belfast.

USEFUL Help, daily, city, suburbs; housework, sewing, knitting; Protestant.—F 617, this office.

YOUNG Gentlewoman, Companion Help, desires change, experienced, trustworthy; recommended; seaside, suburbs. Address "Z 4500, Help," this office. 27 D

YOUNG Chartered Accountant, Scotch and English experience, desires appointment.—F 510, this office. 28 E

YOUNG Lady wishes position as Office Assistant or Junior Typist; small salary.—F 538, this office.

YOUNG Man wishes to hear of a vacancy in a Wholesale House; Dublin preferred; a strict T.T.; first class references. Address "Z 4515, Man," this office. 28 C

YOUNG Lady wishes to learn Fancy Business; small salary. Apply Roscoe, Main street, Wicklow.

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

ALL Men Servants wanting situations write to the Express Registry, Belfast.

HERD Shepherd Wanted, Protestant, single; state every particular. Address "Z 4519, Herd," this office.

MAN Servant—Wanted, for country, General Indoor Man; valet and wait at table; interview required. Address "Z 4483, Man," this office. 26 F

WANTED immediately, Groom, single, R.C.; not over 9st., to school young horses. Address "Z 4505, Groom," this office. 28 E

WANTED, Married Couple, run house for lady.—F 492, this office.

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

EXPERIENCED Gardener Wanted, South County Dublin, with Wife (no incumbrances) who will milk cow and feed poultry; good wages, cottage, milk and vegetables. Apply F 621, this office. 28 C

GARDENER and General Man Wanted; outdoor; Ballsbridge, Dublin. Reply, giving experience and wages required.—F 565, this office. 28 E

LAND Steward required to superintend demesne, gardens, and woodland, together with small home farm. Send particulars of qualifications and references to E 1874, this office. 21 X

STRONG Youth Wanted (indoors), help Irish Gardener; fare advanced.—Rector, Combeflorey, Taunton. 24 B

WORKING Gardener Wanted, Carrickmines district; state age, experience, and wages (outdoor), enclose copies.—F 223, this office. 24 B

WANTED, Working Gardener, experienced with flowers, fruit and vegetables. Apply Buchanan, Edenfel, Omagh.

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

FARMER'S Son, I.C., age 20, wishes situation as Yard and General Man; good milker; good references. Address "Z 4513, Man," this office. 28 E

GENERAL Man; wife poultry, dairy, son plain garden; all good milkers; manage small place.—C. A., 27 Ballsbridge terrace. 28 E

HERD Wants situation, 21st February; milk, castrate; Wife small dairy; 11 years present place; highly recommended.—J. Reilly, Barraghcore, Goresbridge, Kilkenny. 22 B

HERD Yardman, butcher, castrate, milker; wife dairy, poultry; no family; highly recommended.—Mrs. Byrne, Ballenroade, Oulart, Gorey. 25 C

INDOOR Man Servant, experienced, windows, housework, etc., £1 monthly; well recommended.—F 439, this office. 25 C

MARRIED Couple disengaged, Protestants, go Indoor Servants to quiet couple, bachelor, country; immediate. Address "Z 4451, Couple," this office. 25 C

MAN, experienced in all farm work, good milker, also certified motor driver, seeks employment; highest references.—F 366, this office. 25 C

WANTED, position Trust; understands stallions, foaling mares, hunters, stock, break young horses. Greahan, Athboy. 12 21

YOUNG ex-Soldier, British and National, seeks employment; can milk, drive; very good Army characters; recommended; state terms.—Thomas M'Donagh, Ballymun, Santry, Co. Dublin. 25 C

YOUNG Man disengaged, Care Motor, Help in Garden, Milk.—McGee, Kilbride, Trim. 25 C

YARDMAN, good milker, understands calves; Wife good dairymaid, poultry; R.C.; no family; state wages.—F 511, this office. 28 E

YOUNG Man wishes position as Indoor Servant in gentleman's family; good cook waiter; best discharges.—F 604, this office. 28 E

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

BOY, 17, I.C., seeks situation, garden work or pantry; gentleman's recommendation. Apply Richard Forbes, Killynon, Killucan, Westmeath. 28 F

GARDENER (skilled worker)—Temporary or permanent employment required; pruning, renovation, or any class of work carried out; most excellent references. Apply Gardener, Donnycarney Cottage, Artane. 25 C

GARDENER, Working, singlehanded, disengaged; married, no family; R.C.; vines, peaches, flowers, vegetables; good milker, obliging; highest references. Apply E. Hayden, 19 Raglan lane, Ballsbridge. 26 B

GARDENER, Working; private marketing; highly recommended; state terms.—Guilfoyle, Thornfields, Lisnagry, Limerick. 28 E

GARDENER, thoroughly experienced, has three days to spare; highly recommended.—Z 403, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 28 E

GARDENER General Man, good milker; Wife Cook, poultry; no incumbrance; with house.—A 295, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 28 E

MAN seeks situation, plain gardening, mind pony, make himself generally useful.—F 434, this office. 27 D

WANTED, situation Gardener General Man, married, good milker; Son assist yard and milking. Address "Z 4517, Gardener," this office. 28 C

DOMESTICS WANTED.

AT Mulpeter's Select Registry, 11 South Anne st.—Respectable Servants quickly suited. 28 C

COUNTRY Girl Wanted for small family; must be experienced; wages £24. Apply 253 Clonliffe road, Drumcondra.

YOUNG Girl Wanted; small family, no children; good wages; Terenure. Address "Z 4456, Girl," this office. 25 C

YOUNG Girl Wanted, 9 to 12.30 daily, housework; wages 6/- per week.—F 546, this office. 28 E

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COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

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COOK General and two Generals required for institution; good references; plain cooking; country girls preferred; wages £26 per annum.—F 184, this office. 26 B

COOK General Wanted, four miles city; house parlourmaid kept; four in family; good wages.—F 343, this office. 25 C

COOK General Wanted immediately, city; young; must be well recommended; Protestant preferred.—F 482, this office

COOK General Wanted (Protestant), age 25 to 40; small house, three in family; good home, wages £28; must be well recommended.—Edwards, 51 St. Giles' street, Northampton. 28 E

COOK General Wanted, four miles city; house parlourmaid kept; four in family; good wages.—F 343, this office. 25 D

FEB. 22nd—Wanted, good Plain Cook General; four in family; help given; Protestant preferred.—Edwards, Rathduff, Golden, Tipperary.

VERY good young Cook Wanted; four in family, three servants; good wages to competent person. Send copies to 31 Merrion square. 28 E

WANTED, experienced Cook General, also House Parlourmaid; only those with good papers need apply; three in family; three maids kept.—F 219, this office. 24 B

WANTED, experienced, capable Cook; betweenmaid kept; small dairy. Address "Z 4307, Cook," this office. 22 B

WANTED, good Plain Cook; daily help given. Apply Mrs. Odlum, Leinster Grove, Naas, Co. Kildare. 25 C

WANTED, experienced middle aged Cook General; state terms, age, send references.—Hon. Mrs. de la Poer, Glen Poer, Kilsheelan, Co. Waterford. 25 C

WANTED, Cook General for Dundrum; good wages to suitable person.—F 297, this office. 25 C

WANTED, Cook General, R.C., for King's County. Send copies of discharges, age, wages to "Z 4473, Cook," this office. 25 C

WANTED immediately, Good Cook, for country place, England. Reply, stating age, wages, experience, etc., to Mrs. Scott, Hawthorn Lodge, Bracknell, Berkshire. 27 E

WANTED for suburbs, young Cook Housekeeper, for two persons; state age, send copies; good wages.—F 557, this office. 28 E

WANTED, Cook General where two are kept, small family; no washing or scrubbing; good cooking; £30. Call after 6 o'clock, 65 Lower Baggot st. 28 C

WANTED immediately, for England, Cook General and House Parlourmaid; good wages. Apply Matron, Irish Times Registry Office.

DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

GENERALS WANTED.

AN experienced General Wanted for Blackrock; small family; good wages. Apply, after 7, 26 Greenmount road, Terenure.

A LADY requires young, superior, experienced General for England; two in family.—F 589, this office.

EXPERIENCED General Wanted; good cook; references; state wages.—4 Burdett avenue Kingstown. 27 B

EXPERIENCED General Wanted who can cook; 3 in family; good wages; no washing; charwoman weekly.—Neill-Watson, Cualann, Bray road, Foxrock.

EXPERIENCED General required, city; good cook; no washing; parlourmaid kept; £30; country girl preferred.—F 581, this office. 28 C

GENERAL Wanted, small family; good cook; £24. Call at 83 Rathgar road, between 5 and 7. 24 B

GENERAL required, family two, out all day; plain cooking, early riser; wages £20.—F 624, this office.

GENERAL required, Dublin, February 9th; must be well recommended, clean, early riser, plain cook; three in family; also House Nursemaid Wanted, baby 16 months, pram.; wages £22, £20; friends might suit.—F 622, this office

GENERAL Wanted, respectable settled person; must be good cook, clean and tidy, early riser; two in family; small washing; send copies references and wages required (Glasnevin district).—F 611, this office.

SMART General Wanted, very quiet place, about March, I.C. bachelor's house, no underground, milking or fowl; most laundry sent out; really good plain cooking and breadmaking required; send copies papers and photograph, stating age, religion, terms. Address "Z 4469, General," this office. 25 C

SMART General Wanted; must be well recommended. Call, 11 to 3, 103 Lower Beechwood avenue, Ranelagh.

WANTED, superior General Servant; good plain cook, early riser; small washing; wages £30; help given. Apply, after 6.30 p.m., to Mrs. Coghlan, Spring Hill, Dalkey. 24 B

WANTED immediately, experienced General; good houseworker, quick and trustworthy; no cooking or washing.—F 309, this office. 25 C

WANTED, reliable young General, four in family, small washing; must be highly recommended. Apply 121 South Circular road, Kilmainham, after 3.

WANTED, thoroughly trained General; small family; good wages.—F 384, this office. 25 C

WANTED, respectable Girl as General, plain cooking, small washing; fond of children.—M 10, Irish Times Branch Office, Dun Laoghaire. 25 C

WANTED, experienced General; good home; small family.—56 Grosvenor square, Rathmines, 10 till 4. 26 B

WANTED, young General, indoor or outdoor; must be well recommended. Apply 31 Upper Baggot street, 5 to 6 p.m.

WANTED, reliable General, some experience, February 4th; South suburb.—F 582, this office.

WANTED, strong, capable General or Help, small family; no basement. Apply any time, Tuesday, or mornings and evenings, 36 Morehampton road.

WANTED, Trained General Maid; plain cooking; family two; no washing; modern house; good outings; £35; must be personally recommended. Call before 3 o'clock or after 8, 37 Pembroke Park (Donnybrook tram).

WANTED, superior young General; good plain cook; early riser; well recommended.—Middleton, Shankill.

WANTED, General; must be well recommended.—44 York road, Rathmines. 28 E

WANTED, capable General; plain cooking; fond of children; state wages.—96 Rathgar road, Rathgar.

WANTED, General; good references.—27 Kenilworth road, after 7 o'clock. 28 C

WANTED immediately, experienced General, England; good wages; fare paid. Call 12 Duke st.

YOUNG General Wanted to train; some experience. Apply, after 7 o'clock, 6 Argyle road.

YOUNG General Wanted; well recommended. Apply Mrs. Whiteside, Whitechurch, Rathfarnham, Dublin. 28 E

YOUNG General Wanted; must be well recommended; two in family.—6 St. Mary's road

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS WANTED.

EXPERIENCED Housemaid Wanted, upper of two; good wages and outings given. Apply, stating age, wages, etc., to Mrs. Done, Haygrass House, Taunton. 25 B

GIRL, train House Parlourmaid, Wanted, Dundrum, end February; some experience; well recommended. Address "Z 4512, Girl," this office.

HOUSE Parlourmaid, also Housemaid, Wanted, country. State wages required, send copies discharges, to Mrs. O'Callaghan-Westropp, Lismehane, O'Callaghan's Mills, Co. Clare. 25 F

HOUSE Parlourmaid Wanted, Co. Mayo; care lamps and silver; apply with all particulars. Address "Z 4479, House Parlourmaid," this office.

HOUSE Parlourmaid and Housemaid Wanted for Castleknock; good experience, clean, early risers; wages £22 and £20.—F 577, this office. 28 C

HOUSEMAID Wanted, February 18th, strong, active Girl, help given; wages, age, copies.—Fleming, Barraghcore, Goresbridge, Kilkenny. 28 E

WANTED, good House Parlourmaid, country place; betweenmaid kept; must be well recommended; send copies.—Mrs. McKeever, Elm Grove, Gormanston, Co. Meath. 24 B

WANTED immediately, House Parlourmaid, young, R.C.; housemaid kept. Apply by letter, stating age, wages, and enclosing copies, Mrs. Kelly, Montrose, Donnybrook. 24 B

WANTED, experienced House Parlourmaid early next month; small family. Reply by letter only, enclosing copies of references, Fitzgerald, 65 Lansdowne road. 24 B

WANTED, House Parlourmaid, Protestant; quiet place; three in family.—Turnly, Cushendall, Co. Antrim. 25 C

WANTED for South City, young House Parlourmaid, General might suit; small family; no late dinner; good wages—F 507, this office

WANTED, Housemaid, middle February; good needlewoman.—St. Ann's, Donnybrook, 5.30 to 7.30. 28 E

WANTED, House Parlourmaid; three in family.—Mrs. Sealy, Roebuck Grove, Donnybrook. 28 E

NURSES WANTED.

AGENT for NURSES, MAIDS, and ATTENDANTS. Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton st., Dublin. Interviews daily. Tel. No 5258. T

LADY Nurse or Mother's Help Wanted to mind little girl of two; must have experience with children; maid kept.—Neill-Watson, Cualann, Bray road, Foxrock.

WANTED immediately, experienced young Nurse, baby 10 months; needlewoman, do washing; nursery; good references. Copies, Fairyhill, Blackrock. 25 C

WANTED, suburbs, trustworthy Nurse, infant and boy aged three.—F 433, this office. 26 B

WANTED, superior, trustworthy Children's Maid, R.C.; 2 children, 2 years and 4½. Reply, with copies references, stating age and wages expected, Mrs Stapleton, "Fareham," Glenageary.

WANTED, experienced Nurse, to take entire charge of baby, 11 months; state age and wages.—F 594, this office.

WANTED, Nurse Housemaid, early March till middle May; good tempered, obliging; one child two years.—784, Wilde's Office, Bray.

WANTED, Nurse, Blackrock; boy (3) and infant later.—Keegan's, Upper George's street, Dun Laoghaire.

WANTED, respectable Girl, living near Park, to take child out daily.—Box B. L., c/o Lonergan and Co., N.C.R. 28 E

DOMESTICS DISENGAGED.

COUNTRY Girl, some experience, wishes situation. Apply 28 Grosvenor road, Rathmines.

DISENGAGED, elderly Working Housekeeper to Gentleman; active, reliable; good reference.—582, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge.

EXPERIENCED Girl wishes Daily or Weekly Work; well recommended. Apply by letter, Heffernan, 41 Denzille street. 23 C

RESPECTABLE Woman wishes housework or washing; highly recommended.—F 606, this office. 28 C

THOROUGHLY experienced, superior Working Housekeeper, disengaged, wants position to single gentleman, country; good cook, good manager, capable, strict T.T.; highly recommended.—Housekeeper, c/o Miss Connolly, Victoria street, Ballinasloe.

USEFUL Ladies' Maid requires situation; would go Sewingmaid; good dressmaker and packer; disengaged soon. Address "Z 4520, Maid," this office.

WORKING Housekeeper in country family; good references; plain cooking.—F 460, this office.

WORKING Housekeeper, good cook; left through change; excellent reference.—F 578, this office.

WORKING Housekeeper, very good cook, understands all duties; highly recommended.—M. A. M'Grath, Ballinabrackey, Kinnegad.

YOUNG Girl Wants outdoor work; 9 to 6; no cooking.—F 461, this office.

YOUNG Girl seeks situation, light housework, mind children; recommended.—F 480, this office.

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ANY number Cooks, Protestants, R.C.'s, disengaged.—Kennedy's, over Purcell's, 68 Sackville street.

A GOOD Cook; very satisfactory papers; well recommended. Interview Registry, 30 Dawson st.

COOK General and House Parlourmaid require situations together; free now; are strong and capable girls; city preferred.—F 608, this office.

DAILY Cook General; experienced; well recommended.—F 535, this office.

GOOD Cook disengaged; take dairy; suburbs, country; good papers.—F 495, this office.

GOOD Cook or otherwise, city; take dairy; highly recommended.—F 490, this office.

GOOD Cook General, in city or suburbs.—F 494, this office.

LADY highly recommends good Cook and Manager; disengaged.—F 536, this office.

LADY highly recommends Cook General; Protestant; small family.—580, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge.

MISS Brodigan recommends very good Plain Cook; would go singlehanded in small family.—Piltown, Drogheda. 27 D

RESPECTABLE Protestant Woman wishes situation as Cook General or General.—4 Mespil Cottages, Dublin.

SUPERIOR Cook General, or General, in small family.—F 458, this office.

YOUNG Cook General in business house in city.—F 459, this office.

YOUNG Cook General, country or city; good paper.—F 457, this office.

DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

GENERALS DISENGAGED.

A RESPECTABLE country Girl seeks situation as General; excellent reference. Address "Z 4510, General," this office. 28 C

GENERAL desires situation; plain cook; small family; country preferred. Address "Z 4491, General," this office. 26 D

GENERAL seeks place in city; good references.—F 499, this office.

GENERAL, good plain cook; suburbs; long, satisfactory discharges; small family.—F 501, this office.

GENERAL; small family; good references.—F 500, this office.

GENERAL to one lady; good references; small washing.—F 463, this office.

GENERAL, settled, trustworthy, wishes quiet situation, small family.—11 Church place, Rathmines.

GENERAL disengaged; well recommended.—Hostel, Hanbury lane.

SMART young General, Wexford girl. Seen to-day, 11.1 o'clock, 24 Main street, Blackrock.

YOUNG General in small family in city.—F 456, this office.

YOUNG Girl train General or Housemaid.—F 462, this office.

YOUNG country Girl wishes to be trained General; well recommended; willing to learn and obliging; never out before; P.P.'s reference.—Francie Bray, Ballyhorney, Ballinaleck, Co. Westmeath.

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WOMAN AND HER HOME.

GOOD COMPANY.

IT is a queer sort of ramble from a little lady with powdered hair, perched high on a delightful green (apple green) china powder bowl, to that very gentle gentleman, "guide, philosopher and friend"—Montaigne.

And yet when I opened my eyes on New Year's morning and saw her all fragrant and sweet and dainty, with never a trace of fatigue, from her journey from the Rue des Italiens, somehow, by one of those flights of fancy on which our thoughts so often embark with only a moment's warning, I found myself saying "Bon jour, Madame," to her on my bed-table, and "Bon jour, Monsieur," to him in his accustomed place beside my bedside books, with but the fraction of that moment. Little Court lady of a century or more later than the gentle philosopher of the Renaissance, yet so it seemed to me they, with the fragrances of pleasant things that clung about them, were singularly desirable visitors to welcome to the home of one's mind on a New Year's morning.

Both typical of the pleasant byways of life that, far oftener than we always admit, we come on in the year's journey. She with the courtesy—the quite beautiful courtesy—of a gracious appearance. He with the good-mannered tolerance of a finely-mastered mind.

Both looking out from the windows of their time into the windows of our time—the windows of all time—but without the faintest trace of impertinence in the eyes that see just what the dwellers within those windows will that they should see. Courtiers of the world—both. Never I think citizens—courtiers. Faultless? Oh no. It is possible to imagine that the eyes of "the pretty powdered lady" did sometimes twinkle with a light that was of the world, worldly; but always she danced to the air, the fine old air, which had called to Montaigne a century or so before—of a high-bred tolerance: high because the keynote was consideration (tuned of discipline): a stately measure. A courtly step.

And he? Sometimes a trifle garrulous? Unorthodox? Perhaps! and yet—no. Was not his the compassion that embraced each and all of God's suffering creatures? Hear him, hear Montaigne! (Catholic, Protestant, Agnostic, Atheist; but first, before all, is he Christian): "As for me, I could never so much as endure without remorse and griefe to see a poore, sillie and innocent beast pursued and killed which is harmless and void of defence" . . . .

A queer sort of ramble, but, in truth, in good company at the dawning of the year.

D.H.

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LONG SKIRTS.

M.P.F.O. writes:—

THE denunciation of the long skirt by "M.B.P.," published in your issue of January 24th, I think calls for at least one protest from a woman.

I greatly admire the long skirt and deplored the late fashion of unlovely limbs and "petticoat" dresses (which women, old and young, wore to their detriment). They were not only ungraceful, but vulgar in the extreme. One of a woman's duties is to look her best on every occasion, and, to my mind, no woman has ever looked her best in short skirts or flat-heeled shoes. Then, again, "M.B.P." says that we are travelling too fast for such ideas in dress, but surely she does not think that long skirts will hinder our progress, or that short skirts will help it.

Dublin's dirty streets are an established fact, and, no doubt, do not encourage long dresses; if it means that one must be muddy because in a long skirt; but then the long skirt is not an established fact, and I do not see why we Dublin folk cannot wear this present mode as successfully as our over-seas sisters.

The long dress is undoubtedly becoming to all women, and even graceful women look unlovely in a short skirt.

I, therefore, must disagree with "M. B. P." when she says that the following of the present fashion is another show of woman's foolishness. Surely, it does not follow that because women are "up and doing" they must forget they are "women" in the matter of dress. I do not agree either with her remark about the only shelter women have these days, being one of their own making. Such a "creed" as this in the mouths of our sex has led to the "indifferent" manner with which women are sometimes treated. Also, I am old-fashioned enough to resent it, and I do not think that girls should ever forget that they are "women" first before anything else, and proud of the title.

THE STAIRCASE.

THE work entailed in keeping a staircase in good condition must necessarily depend largely on the amount of use to which the staircase is put, and also to the way in which it is furnished.

A front staircase in continuous use will require daily care and should not be left unattended. If the covering is a carpet, this should be brushed with a stiff brush or, better still, cleaned with the hose attachment and brush of the vacuum cleaner. If the painted surrounds are white, they can be kept in good condition if rubbed with a little good furniture cream. This gives a dirt-resisting polish which makes the work easier.

From a labour-saving aspect the usual brass rods are not to be encouraged, since they need frequent cleaning to keep them in good condition. There are now various wooden and stainless metal rods to be had which look very attractive and do not require cleaning.

Where there is much traffic the stair carpet is liable to get quickly worn. Its life can, however, be greatly prolonged if the carpet is moved frequently. It is only necessary to pull the carpet an inch or two either up or down to make sure that the tread will not come twice in the same place.

The wear on the carpet will also be considerably lessened if a pad of felt or newspaper is tacked across the front angle of each stair before the carpet is laid. It is often the hard wood under the carpets that causes the wear quite as much as the treading of feet on the surface.

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Mary Gwynne Howell.

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FOR THE COOK.

HOME-MADE RUSKS FOR SERVING WITH CHEESE.

Rub four ounces of butter into one pound flour, then add two large teaspoonfuls of baking powder and a little salt. Mix the ingredients into a smooth dough with a beaten egg and a little milk. Roll out the dough, cut it into small, flat cakes, and bake in a quick oven.

SHORTBREAD.

Take three-quarter pound flour, half pound sugar, half pound butter, and quarter pound rice flour.

Cream the butter, sift in gradually the flour, sugar and rice flour, knead the paste on a baking board or marble slab until it is smooth, and divide into four pieces. Make into round cakes, using a shortbread mould, if obtainable. If not, pinch the edges of the cakes with the fingers, and mark with a blunt knife. Prick the centres of the cakes with a fork or skewer. Place on paper on a baking tin, and bake in a moderate oven for 25-30 minutes, or until the shortbread is a nice brown colour.

BELGIAN BISCUITS.

Take half pound flour, quarter pound margarine, three ounces sugar, one egg, and two large teaspoonfuls mixed spice.

Rub the margarine into the flour, add the sugar and mixed spice. Mix well, and add the egg (beaten). Knead to a smooth paste, make into biscuits, and bake in a moderate oven for a quarter of an hour. When cold, put two together with jelly, and ice with water icing.

ICING FOR BELGIAN BISCUITS.

Take quarter pound icing sugar, one tablespoonful (small) boiling water, and a few drops of flavouring. Ice the biscuits and sprinkle with pink sugar (made by rubbing a little sugar with a drop of carmine on a plate).

SULTANA LOAF.

Take quarter pound sugar, quarter pound butter, quarter pound sultanas, half pound flour, two ounces lemon peel, three eggs, one teaspoonful baking powder.

Mix eggs, butter, and sugar to a cream. Lastly add sultanas, flour, lemon peel, and baking powder. Beat the whole for ten minutes to a stiff paste. Pour into a greased tin, and bake in a moderate oven for one hour.

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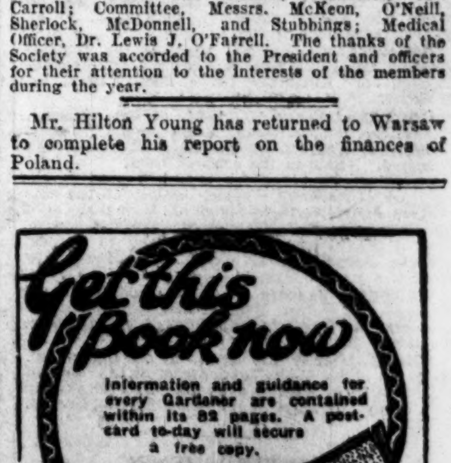
PALACE TONTINE SOCIETY.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Palace Tontine Society was held last Saturday at the offices, 3 Burgh quay, Dublin. Mr. Thomas O'Connor, President, presided. The balance sheet was submitted and adopted, and showed that members paying 9d. weekly received a divide of £1 19/-, in addition to medical attendance and medicine for selves and family, with an insurance of £8. The following are the officers for 1924:—President, Mr. O'Connor; Vice-President, Mr. Curran; Trustees, Messrs. Paisley, Furlong, and Doherty; Auditors, Messrs. Wilson and Finner; Treasurer, Mr. Carroll; Committee, Messrs. McKeon, O'Neill, Sherlock, McDonnell, and Stubbings; Medical Officer, Dr. Lewis J. O'Farrell. The thanks of the Society was accorded to the President and officers for their attention to the interests of the members during the year.

Mr. Hilton Young has returned to Warsaw to complete his report on the finances of Poland.



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DUBLIN THEATRES.

LAST WEEK OF THE PANTOMIMES.

GAIETY THEATRE.

The pantomime, "Dick Whittington," entered on the last week of its season in the Gaiety Theatre last night, and was thoroughly enjoyed by a large audience. After a "run" of five weeks, the production has acquired a happy facility of presenting all its essentials in the most artistic manner, and last night the choruses, music, dancing, songs, and jokes went with a great swing.

There will be matinees to-morrow and on Saturday. The performance on Friday evening will be for the benefit of Mr. Jack Edwin, who appears as Constance the Cook. There will be special attractions for that night.

THEATRE ROYAL.

There are many good items of entertainment in the programme of the Theatre Royal this week, and they were greeted with hearty enthusiasm by the two large "houses" last night. The Foster production of "A Whirl of Girls" is given pride of place in the bill, and it is for the most part a pretty spectacle of dancing girls who perform their parts with charm and grace. There is, however, a part of the performance in which a scantily-dressed woman throws herself about and allows a man to whirl her around in various attitudes, some of which are most objectionable. Yet the thing is applauded as if it was absolutely worthy and innocuous. In pleasant contrast to this is the piece performed by Mooney and Holbien. The latter, a lady, sings two or three comic songs while accompanying herself on the piano. Her rendering of "You can't keep a good man down" and "The donkey race" put the audience in excellent humour, and the dialogue between her and Mooney was highly amusing. Two good musicians are Charlier and Cuvelier, described as "wizards of the accordians." The Cycling Brunettes are clever performers, and the Alvins, "happy Danish farmers," are agile acrobats. The Pall-Malls, in comedy; and Doris Hunter, as juvenile mimic, completed the programme.

ABBEY THEATRE.

Blanco Posnet was tricked into a moment of compassion, and was ready to slay himself for it afterwards. Peter Devoy, in Con O'Leary's little piece put on at the Abbey last night, was tricked into saying a prayer. If Peter had been an interesting ruffian, as Blanco was, one would have complained that the author had stopped just where he should have begun; but Peter was not interesting, and all his talk about refusing to budge from the place that wanted to get rid of a scoundrel was the sort of talk that would come from a man who in reality had not enough enterprise and character to do more than sulk.

Whether it was the author's fault or that of F. J. McCormick, who took the part, Peter, with all his boast of having let the churn-boys of the neighbourhood feel his heavy hand, did not appear to be a great prize for the busybody old woman who had set herself to strike a prayer from him.

Did he reform and become a great influence for good in his neighbourhood? Did he reform, and yet find that he could not live down his past? Did he, in disgust at his own weakness, run amok, kill everybody round him, and smash up the coffin and the church before facing populace, judge, and hangman with contempt?

If Peter Devoy had been convincing it might have been interesting to have the author's answers. As it was, the piece was about as convincing as one of those old-fashioned tracts that used to tell how an old woman converted a hardened criminal by handing him a text-card.

This piece, "Queer Ones," occupied less than half an hour. The main part of the Abbey programme this week is Sean O'Casey's tragedy in two acts, "The Shadow of a Gunman," which seems to be liked by Abbey audiences.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"Cinderella," the Queen's Theatre pantomime, will also conclude its run this week. The addition of new features have increased its popularity, and crowds have been to see the "giantess," Baby Florrie O'Sullivan.

OLYMPIA THEATRE.

"Hot Lips," the revue performed at the Olympia Theatre by Cyril Boganny and his company, is something new in this style of entertainment. It is a lively production, carried through with but few of those dull episodes that are often to be found in revues. Little Monty is at the head of all the laughter makers. In Cyril Boganny he has a perfect foil for his eccentricities. "Hot Lips" contains a lot of good dancing. The six Follies Girls are both clever and attractive. The vocalism is not the strongest feature of the revue. Gyp Simmons, a young artist, however, sings a schoolgirl song in good music hall style.

TIVOLI THEATRE.

A clever troupe of juvenile artistes, the "Six Musical Seymours," is the mainstay of this week's Tivoli programme. The performers earned the applause which their musical *melange* evoked, and they were obliged to answer several encores. Crasey, Hicks, and Pass, talked and danced amusingly, and Park and Moran provided an equally happy study in black and white. Dot Daniels, a vocalist of ability; Helen and Art, in a "joke, trick, and dance;" Wyn Lloyd, a clever comedienne, and A. H. Woods, in a comedy act, all gave good "turns."

Signor Viani's recital will be given in the Theatre Royal, Dublin, on Saturday, March 1; not next Saturday, as stated in yesterday's *Irish Times*.

SHOOTING ACCIDENT.

YOUNG MAN INJURED.

Patrick Stanford, Cartoher, Carrick-on-Shannon, was seriously wounded in the eye and hand as the result of the accidental discharge of a shot while he was shooting at Killucan river with other young men. He has been removed to a Dublin hospital for treatment.

Action was taken by the Civic Guard after the accident, and yesterday Robert Quaile was charged with being in possession of sporting ammunition contrary to Section 8 of the Public Safety Act. Another young man named Bernard Oates was charged under the same section with being in possession of a double-barrel gun and a quantity of ammunition.

Both men were remanded on bail to the next District Court.

RECENT IRISH WILLS.

The Right Rev. Arthur Edwin Ross, D.D., of The Palace, Tuam, Bishop of Tuam since 1920, who served with distinction as an Army Chaplain during the war, and who died on October 18 last, aged 53 years, left personal estate in Ireland valued at £556.

Mr. Charles Randal Armstrong MacDonnell, D.L., of Montore, King Edward road, Bray, Co. Wicklow, who died suddenly in a train on October 18 last, left property in England valued at £3,229.

Dame Dorothea Araminta Downing Benson, of 57 Fitzwilliam square, Dublin, who died on August 19 last, wife of Sir John Hawtrey Benson, ex-President of the Royal College of Physicians in Ireland, left personal estate in England valued at £1,976.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE SEAT OF PARLIAMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The question of the housing of the Oireachtas is made into an urgent one, whereas, in my opinion, the only big, urgent question is to get on with the government. Whether the legislative bodies meet in the "Old House" in College Green or the much older house at Kilmainham, or elsewhere, is not an urgent question, nor is it one that should be decided hurriedly. The nation should not be hustled in this matter, nor jockeyed into a position from which a change in the future might be difficult or impossible.

The future site of the legislative assembly and the buildings to be used or constructed should be most carefully weighed and considered by every interest in the State. It is a big, vital, fundamental question, and should not be hastily decided. It should, and must, be considered as the vital element in the greater scheme of capital reconstruction or re-arrangement, which will go far to make the capital city of Ireland one of the finest of the minor cities of the world.

That the present physical needs of the legislature should receive immediate consideration all must admit. To meet them I would suggest that a large, commodious and comfortable temporary building be forthwith erected that would adequately serve for the next ten years or so, until Government machinery be got into fuller working order.

The space for the erection of such a temporary building which naturally suggests itself is Merrion square. Its somewhat meagre amenities would not be seriously interfered with, and what the privileged occupiers of the square, who scarcely use it, would lose by its whole or partial occupation would be more than compensated for by the enhanced value and *prestige* conferred upon them by the continual presence in their midst of those carrying on the affairs of State. Such a building need not be costly or ornate—only commodious and serviceable—and could be economically erected in a few months, fit for use and occupation, when the real, urgent question of the hour, "to get on with the government," could have the central, if not sole, consideration.—Yours, etc.,

FRANCIS JOSEPH BIGGER.

Ardrigh, Belfast, January 28th, 1924.

THE DRINK TRAFFIC.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I find it hard to follow—or, perhaps, I should say, to swallow—the arguments of "Anti-Socialist," whose letter under the above heading appears in your issue of the 25th inst. His grievance is the high retail prices that are now being charged in Dublin for stout, porter and beer. That I can understand. His suggestion is that, as the Dublin publican is past praying for in the matter of reducing his charges for drink, the Government should (as "the only means of bringing him to his senses") issue in the Dublin Metropolitan Area "200 temporary licences for the sale of stout, porter and beer only." These licences would be issued to some persons who would only require "reasonable profits," and thus, incidentally, enable their clients to get their "refreshments" at proportionately reduced prices. I dareasy it is quite true that, if his suggestion were adopted, porter could be had in Dublin for about 5d. a glass instead of 8d., which I understand is the usual price at the present time.

He naively adds, however:—"That such an extension of licences would be an inducement to drink and drunkenness is not the case, as it would have just the very opposite effect." That I cannot understand, and I must be pardoned for taking the contrary view. If the licences were extended in the way your correspondent suggests, and the price of drinks substantially reduced, it seems perfectly obvious that a great deal more drink would be sold in consequence. I cannot but admire the hardihood of the suggestion that a substantial reduction in the price of porter, instead of providing an inducement to drink, would "have just the very opposite effect." In support of this strange contention "Anti-Socialist" suggests that there is much less drunkenness on the Continent, where wine and beer can be purchased in all sorts of places, than in America. He says that "in the United States of America, where prohibition is in force, the number of arrests for drunkenness is increasing rapidly each month." Even if it were a fact that there was less drunkenness on the Continent than in the United States of America (which is not the case), this would scarcely prove that the cheapening of porter in Dublin would lessen the amount of drinking and incidentally of drunkenness.

It is not true, however, that prohibition in America has resulted in the increase of drunkenness, or of arrests for drunkenness. Let me quote from the "Alliance Year Book" for 1924, edited by Mr. George B. Wilson. He gives certain questions about American prohibition, with answers, which, as a footnote explains, have been settled by the Legal Department of the Anti-Saloon League. On page 161 the question is asked: "What has been the effect of prohibition on the amount of drunkenness?" The answer given is: "Drunkenness arrests have decreased on an average of 50 *per cent.* throughout the country, in spite of the fact that in former wet years only drunken persons who were nuisances were arrested, while arrests to-day indicate the total amount of public drunkenness," etc.

On one point "Anti-Socialist" and I are agreed. We both condemn the drink traffic. He does so because, owing to their high charges, the publicans make drink less accessible to the general public than he would like. I do so for the somewhat different reason that I believe the sale of liquor does an infinity of harm. Might I suggest a rival plan for "bringing the publican to his senses"? Let "Anti-Socialist" and his numerous sympathisers become dry (in the American, not the thirsty, sense), as many of us have done. Then the publican may, if he likes, ask eight guineas a glass for his "refreshments," for ought any of us will care.

The *Irish Times* had an excellent leading article recently deploring the increase of drunkenness in Ireland. It pointed out that, owing to the unsettled state of the country for some time back, the enforcement of the liquor laws had become dangerously slack. So far as I can see, the one hopeful element in the situation down to this has been the fact that stiff prices have been charged for drinks. To remove this safeguard would give ground for serious apprehension; so I hope that the authorities will resist the blandishments of "Anti-Socialist." They can scarcely doubt that the more the price of intoxicants is reduced, the greater will become the temptation to over-indulge in them.—Yours, etc.,

"REFORM."

Dublin, January 28th, 1924.

GAME PRESERVATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I am glad that your correspondents are calling attention to the gun licence scandal and hope that it will do some good. I farm about 500 acres, and for months past have been trying to get permission to keep a gun to prevent my crops from being ruined by pigeons, rabbits and crows, but without success. The military send me to the Civic Guard and the latter send me to the military. During this time, however, in two labourers' cottages within half a mile there have been guns, and the young men shoot the whole surrounding country. I have myself on two occasions seen them firing at pheasants. The matter was reported, but nothing was done.

There used to be a lot of hares on my land which afforded sport for harriers and greyhounds, but they have been exterminated. For a long time I did my best to keep poachers off, but when the poacher's reply is to fire at the dwelling-house, and one has nothing to retaliate with, one begins to ask whether it is worth while. Then there are the rabbit poachers, who ferret the whole country—not that one minds the rabbits being kept down, but when it also means digging down ditches, pulling down fences and leaving open gates, it is annoying, to say the least of it. Is there any reason why gun or game licences should be granted to men with no land, unless they can show in writing that they either rent land to shoot over or that they have written permission from a landowner to shoot over his land?—Yours, etc.,

"FARMER."

Co. Wexford, January 27th, 1924.

MILITARY BANDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Now that our military bands are started, and so well started, do you not think that we might sometimes have a band going through the streets? In old days, when the band swung out of Beggar's Bush and marched along to a lively air, every window went up and the melody cheered both ourselves and our houses.

We want cheering now. The gloom and depression have lasted too long.—Yours, etc.,

"HARMONY."

Dublin, January 28th, 1924.

Captain Dennis Granville, M.V.O., Chief Constable of Dorset, is retiring on pension after 25 years' service.

LAW REPORTS.

TRAMWAY PASSENGER'S ACTION.

NEW TRIAL REFUSED.

Court of Appeal—Before Lord Justice Ronan and Lord Justice O'Connor.

In the case of O'Connor v. Dublin United Tramways Company (1896), Ltd., an application was made on behalf of the plaintiff for an order setting aside the verdict and judgment obtained for the defendants or for a new trial of the action.

The action had been brought by Mr. Oliver J. O'Connor, of the Claremount Hotel, Sutton, Co. Dublin, to recover damages laid at £1,000 for personal injuries alleged to have been sustained by him through the negligence of the defendants and their servants in the management of a Howth tramcar, on which he was a passenger, on the 16th of May last, while dismounting from the car near the Claremount Hotel.

It appeared that the plaintiff, who was employed as manager under Mr. Higginbotham at the sand pits at Sutton, had proceeded on the car from Baldoyle road to a point near the hotel. His case was that when he was alighting the car stopped and went on again before he "got clear," with the result that he was dragged along for some distance, being rendered unconscious and having his right leg so seriously injured that he was prevented from attending to his business and was permanently disabled.

The defendant company, in their defence denying negligence, alleged that the plaintiff was guilty of contributory negligence, that he had been carried safely to his destination, and had alighted, but had not altogether withdrawn himself from the tramcar before the accident occurred. After alighting, the plaintiff, who suffered from a defective leg, stood on a loose stone or inequality in the ground, by which he twisted or strained his defective leg, thus incurring the injuries of which he complained.

Mr. Carrigan, K.C., and Mr. Murnaghan (instructed by Messrs. Brown and McCann) appeared for the plaintiff; and Serjeant Hanna, Mr. Lynch, K.C., and Mr. J. J. Mooney (instructed by Messrs. Casey, Clay and Collins) for the defendant company.

After hearing the arguments in support of the application, the Court refused the new trial motion, with costs, without calling on counsel for the defendant company.

COUNTY DUBLIN LANDS.

QUESTION OF A MORTGAGE.

Chancery Division—Before the Master of the Rolls.

In the matter of Patrick O'Connor and Son, Ltd., v. Bernard O'Reilly.

Mr. Newett (instructed by Messrs. George D. Fottrell and Sons) applied on behalf of the plaintiff company for an order declaring a mortgage, with interest, amounting to £1,917, well charged on the lands and premises of East Curragh, situated in the parish of Hollywood, barony of Balrothery, Co. Dublin, containing 111 acres 2 roods and 36 perches statute measure, the mortgage, dated 22nd November, 1917, having been made between the defendant, of the one part, and the late Patrick J. O'Connor, of 49 Queen street, Dublin, of the other part. It was recited in the mortgage deep, as stated on affidavit, that the defendant was entitled to the lands and premises under an indenture of fee farm grant dated 30th January, 1854, made between Mary Tandy, Frances Diana George, George Cooper Stowell, Samuel Garnett and the Rev. Philip Smith, of the one part, and Edward Bailey, of the other part.

It was also stated that there was £971 due by the defendant to the late Patrick J. O'Connor on foot of an agreement for charge dated 31st January, 1916, up to 22nd November, and that the defendant received a further loan of £629 on the same security, making together £1,600.

Mr. Newett stated that the plaintiff company had been floated for the purpose of carrying on the auctioneer and salesman business worked by the late Mr. P. J. O'Connor, and that the defendant had repeatedly promised to pay the amount due, but had failed to do so.

There was no appearance on behalf of the defendant.

The Master of the Rolls granted the application, reserving the costs.

DAIL EIREANN COURTS.

ROSCOMMON LAND DISPUTE.

In the Dail Eireann (Winding-up) Commission Court, Dublin Castle, yesterday, before Messrs. Creed Meredith, Crowley and Wyse Power, Chief Judicial Commissioners, the case of Francis Beirne and twelve others against the executors of the late William Kilgallon, of Martry, Elphin, for an order for specific performance of an agreement alleged to having been entered into on the 7th of April, 1920, for the sale by him to the plaintiffs of the lands of Martry, Caldra, Carrantogher and Cartronacaron for the sum of £6,600 was heard. William Kilgallon died in January, 1922, and the action was continued against his executors, Patrick Harte and John Kilgallon, to whom were added William Kilgallon, Ellen Flynn, John Kilgallon, Michael Dowd and William P. Kilgallon, as defendants, who are alleged to be in possession of some of the land.

The case was originally heard by Mr. Arthur Clery, Circuit Judge, at Roscommon on the 4th of August, 1921. He held that the agreement between the plaintiffs and Mr. Kilgallon was a valid and binding one, and that the plaintiffs were in equity the owners of the premises in question. From this decision the defendants (Mr. William Kilgallon having died) appealed, and the appeal came before the Supreme Court, presided over by Mr. Meredith. The Court decided that as new evidence had been introduced by the defendants, such new evidence constituted an issue to be tried, and they ordered this re-hearing of the whole case.

Mr. Dickie, K.C., and Mr. John O'Byrne (instructed by Messrs. Goff and Callery) appeared for the plaintiffs. Mr Fetherstonhaugh, K.C., Mr. Price, K.C., and Mr. Carson (instructed by Mr. James A. Kieran) appeared for the defendants.

It appeared that the defendants—William Kilgallon, Ellen Flynn, John Kilgallon, Michael Dowd and W. P. Kilgallon—were in possession of portion of the lands in question, and the plaintiffs wanted to get them out. It was alleged for the defence that Mr. Kilgallon, the owner, had been intimidated by the plaintiffs, or some of them, into consenting to the sale; on the other hand, the plaintiffs' case was that the owner had freely and willingly entered into the agreement.

A number of witnesses having been examined, the Court adjourned till this morning, when the hearing will be resumed.

PUBLIC HEALTH IN RATHDOWN.

Mr. St. L. Devitt, Commissioner, in Dail Eireann (Winding-up) Court, Dublin Castle, heard cases at the suit of the Rathdown No. 1 Rural District Council against owners of property to compel them to put that property into sanitary condition.

Mary J. Gallaher was prosecuted in respect of premises at Kill-o'-the-Grange, and she gave an undertaking to have the necessary work done within a month.

Joseph Rooskey was summoned for disobedience to an order of the Parish Court at Foxrock and Cabinteely of September, 1922, by which he was required to do certain sanitary work within a period of three months.

The Commissioner adjourned the case on the undertaking of the defendant that he would execute the necessary work within the next three months.

Bertie Silke was summoned in respect of cottages at Kill-o'-the-Grange, an order in respect of which, made in June, 1922, he was charged with having disobeyed.

Mr. Silke was fined £1 in respect of two cottages. He said that two tenants were not paying their rents, and he found it difficult to sell the property.

The Commissioner adjourned the cases in respect of those houses for a month, in order to give Mr. Silke an opportunity of taking possession of the premises.

Mr. W. G. Shannon (instructed by Messrs. W. J. Shannon) appeared for the Rural District Council.

Mr. O'Farrell, sanitary officer, and Mr. P. H. McCarthy, C.E., gave evidence on behalf of the Council.

It is announced in Admiralty Fleet orders that in future the cap ribbons worn by crews of submarines will bear the designation of their respective submarines, instead of the general designation of "H.M. Submarines."

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LIFFEY POWER.

DUBLIN CORPORATION'S BID FOR CONTROL.

"That the special committee appointed to take charge of the Liffey water-power scheme be, and is hereby, authorised to take all necessary steps for the promotion of a Private Bill, on behalf of the Corporation, in the Oireachtas for the utilisation of the water-power of the River Liffey for the purpose of generation of electricity and for the transmission and distribution of same; also to take all necessary steps to enable the Council to oppose any Private Bill or applications for orders which may be introduced by other promoters involving the utilisation of any portion of the Liffey water-power."

The above motion was unanimously adopted at yesterday's meeting of the Dublin Corporation. In proposing it Alderman Hubbard Clark said that the special committee were of opinion that strenuous opposition should be offered to any rival schemes which should be promoted.

Mr. Raul, who supported the motion, said that they were merely frustrating an attempt to hand the public rights over to a syndicate.

STOLEN CUTLERY.

DUBLIN MEN CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL POSSESSION.

In the Southern Police Court, Dublin, yesterday, Bernard Nugent, Lower Buckingham street, and Anthony O'Callaghan, Talbot street, were charged with having illegally in their possession a quantity of cutlery which was believed to have been stolen.

It was stated for the prosecution that towards the end of October last two large cases of cutlery, which were lying in the stores of Messrs. Bainbridge, shipping agents, North Wall, were broken open and dinner knives and forks, to the value of about £60, were stolen. Five weeks ago O'Callaghan went to a hardware merchant in Talbot street, and asked him to value a stainless steel dinner knife which he produced. The dealer said the knives were worth from 16s. to 18s. 6d. per dozen, but when O'Callaghan offered to sell him a quantity at 12s. 3d. a dozen he refused to buy, remarking that such knives could not be sold at that price unless they had been stolen.

Nugent, who worked as a carter for Messrs. Bainbridge, left a quantity of knives similar to those contained in the broken cases at a public-house in the city, saying that he would call in for them later.

The accused were remanded for further inquiries.

DUBLIN CHILD'S DEATH.

Death from natural causes was the verdict at an inquest at the Dublin Morgue yesterday on Esther Sullivan, a three weeks' old child, who was taken suddenly ill on Thursday night last and died from heart failure following septic absorption. The child's mother neglected to summon a doctor, thinking it was not necessary.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Tuesday, January 29, 1924.

COURT OF APPEAL, at 11.—For Hearing—In re Gorham, a bankrupt, K.B.D. (Bankruptcy), re-entered (and motion); Workmen's Compensation Act—Lyons v. Donovan.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.—Chancery Division.—Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. In Lunacy.—Before the Examiner, at 11.30—Vch. ac., Franks and Oulton. Lord Chief Justice's Chambers.—Before the Chief Clerk, at 11.30—Duignan, minors; Walker, a minor.

ROLLS COURT.—In Court No. 2.—Petition—Co's Acts and Abbeyview Co-operative Society, Ltd. Motions—Curraghboy Co-operative Farming Society v. Wall; Lowe v. Keens; M'Dermott v. Attorney-General; Leahy v. Queen's Theatre (Dublin), Ltd. Action—M'Call v. Queen's Theatre (Dublin), Ltd. At Chambers—Kilkenny, decd., Jordan v. Kilkenny. For Wednesday, 6th February.—Action—Punch v. Frost. For Thursday, 7th February.—Action—M'Farlane v. Bolger. For Wednesday, 13th February.—Actions—Foran and ors. v. Larkin, Larkin v. I.T.G.W.U. and ors., consolidated.

CHANCERY JUDGE.—Before the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls.—In Court No. 2 (At conclusion of Rolls List). At Chambers—Shine v. Shine; M'Cormack v. Dervan; Fayle v. Martin; Horan, decd., Temple v. Horan; Co's Act and Fine Chemicals, Ltd.; same. Before the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls.—For Wednesday, 30th January.—Actions—Raftery v. Raftery; Crofton v. E. Caheny; same v. J. Caheny; Irish Land Commission v. Jones. For Thursday, 31st January.—Action—O'Shaughnessy v. O'Shaughnessy. For Friday, 1st February.—Action—Powderly v. Irish National Union of Vintners', Grocers' and Allied Trades' Assistants. This Day.—Before the Chief Clerk, at 2—Hagan v. M'Guigan.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride, at 11.—A person of unsound mind, J. Robinson; Bruce to French, French and French. Master Denning, at 11—Collier v. Kantoher Co-operative Agricultural Society, Porter, Morris and Co.; Collier v. Kantober Co-operative Agricultural Society, J. Condon; Barror v. O'Connor, Sheridan and Kenny; Barror v. O'Connor, J. Sheil; Long and Co. and Co's Acts, Little and Cullen. Master Macnamara, at 11.—Exparte Taxations—Gibson v. Brunker, W. J. M. Coulter; Mountjoy Brewery v. Kirwan, Gleeson and Son; Ponsonby Tenants to Connolly, P. S. Connolly and Co.; Tighe v. Lockington, Fottrell and Sons; Quinn v. Pender, J. J. Duggan; Beasley v. Bird, C. J. Reddy and Son; a person of unsound mind, decd., C. J. Reddy and Son.

LAND JUDGES.—Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Wylie, in Court No. 5 (at the conclusion of the Land Commission List). Land Case—R. Warburton. Dublin Reconstruction Act (Sec. 4)—Wynn's Hotel, objection. Receiver Cases—Hill v. Hill; Eagle, Star and British Dominions Insurance Co., Ltd.

LAND REGISTRY.—Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Wylie (At the conclusion of the Land Judge's List)—Exparte Motions.

KING'S BENCH DIVISION.—In Court No. 3, at 11 o'clock. Civil Side—Exparte Motions. Summons—Power v. Power. Crown Side—Exparte Motions. For Hearing. Magistrates' Cases—Francis Reilly applt., Marcella Reilly respdt.; Laurence Casey applt., Patk. Callinane, respdt. Civil Side (contd.). On Notice—Kearney v. Kearney and anor.; Perry v. Gaffney; Smithwick v. Dunne and Co.; James v. Higgins; Lucan and District Co-Op. Society v. Thornberry; Rudden v. Rudden; Lenehan v. Alexander; Murphy v. M'Auliffe and anor.; Scott v. M'Guire; Toppin v. Tobin and anor.; Toppin v. King; Thompson and anor. v. O'Brien; London Guarantee and Accident Co., Ltd., v. Lynch; Acton v. Moles; Peppard v. Hynes. Before Master Jackson, K.C. Wednesday, 6th February, 12 o'clock—Wyndham-Quin v. Kennedy and ors.

TRIALS BY JURY.—Before the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Pim. In Court No. 4, at 11 o'clock. City Common—Harte and anor. v. Boland (rent), specially fixed; Dunleavy and anor. v. M'Devitt and anor. (probate); Dowd v. Kenny (breach of contract). Non-Jury—Coffey v. Maddock (possession). A large attendance of City Common Jurors is required this morning at the Law Courts, Dublin Castle, in Court No. 4, at 11 o'clock. Absent jurors will be fined. The City Special Jurors need not attend until they see notice in the "Legal Diary." For Wednesday, 30th January. City Common—Maher v. Maher (matrimonial). For Thursday, 31st January. City Common—Burgoyne v. Flynn (slander); Hardiman v. Dolan (slander). For Friday, 1st February. Non-Juries—Field, Crooke and Co. v. Regin (goods sold), part heard; O'Brien v. Ryan (work done); Rivlin and Sons v. Slievenamon Co-Op. Agric. Soc., Ltd., and a counter-claim (goods sold); Horan v. Burke (probate); Ellis and Parks v. Donegan (goods sold); Royse v. Lexow (possession); Jordan v. Home and Colonial Stores, Ltd. (breach of contract), on counter-claim; O'Sullivan v. Loughnan and ors. (possession); Maughan v. Fenelon (goods sold). For Monday, February 4th. City Common—Timon v. D.U.T. Co. (1896), Ltd. (personal injuries). Non-Jury—Magnier and ors. v. Barry (possession). For Tuesday, February 5th. City Common—Loftus v. Holland and anor. (personal injuries). For Friday, 8th February. Non-Juries—M'Bride v. Keegan (personal injuries); Bewley and Draper, Ltd., v. Crawley (goods sold).

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—Land Purchase Acts. Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Wylie. At the Law Courts, Dublin Castle. In Court No. 5, at 11 o'clock. Exparte Applications. In Chamber—James J. O'Riordan, allocate; William O. Hastings, do.; Wm. Headech, do.; Eva Forde, do.; Michael F. Barry, contd., etc., do.; Evan C. Lloyd, and ors., contd., etc., do.; John A. Vincent, do.; John S. Fraser and ors., contd., etc., do.; Lady C. Raines and anor., do.; Earl of Shannon, do.; Fanny Ievers, do.; Edward J. Bourns, do.; Earl of Rosse, do. In Court—Julian C. G. St. Lawrence, F.S.; William G. Wood-Martin, motion; Florence O'Sullivan, do. Land Act, 1923—Estate of Mary Callan Thompson, to be mentioned; Timothy Foley, tenant, Thomas M'D. Mahony, Ltd., motion; John Jackson, tenant, Capt. Wm. F. Tremayne, do., do.; Mrs. Cahill, tenant, Viscountess Mountgarrett and anor., do., do. Examiners' Chambers. Before Mr. Stubbs, at 11 o'clock—George H. Jackson (E.C. 8341) (Toler's superior interest), vch. At 12 o'clock—Thomas J. Clarke (E.C. 7272), discharge rulings and settle schedule. At 2.30 o'clock—Rebecca J. Porter (E.C. 7774), discharge rulings. Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock—R. Beamish (E.C. 6346) (Gubbins' rent), discharge rulings. Before Mr. Franks, at 11 o'clock—Most Rev. Patrick O'Donnell and anor.

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Chief Registrar, at 11 o'clock—Murtagh, prove dts., G. Byrne and Co.; Kelly, do., P. M. Seales; arrangt., vch. ac.; do., ac. comp., Hunter and Burland; Walsh, prove dts., Scallan and Co. arrangt., do., P. M. Seales.

DAIL EIREANN COURTS (WINDING-UP) COMMISSION.—Before Mr. Commissioner Crowley, in Court No. 1, Dail Courts Commission Buildings, Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock. For Judgment—Fitzpatrick v. Brady. Before the Chief Judicial Commissioners. At Hearing—Beirne and ors. v. Kilgallon. For Hearing—Doherty and ors. v. Healy.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

TIN LOWER.

TIN market quiet, and prices, on balance, 27/6 to 30/- lower for cash, and 32/6 three months, compared with last Friday's close. Standard, cash quoted £248 17/6 to £249; three months, £249 17/6 to £250 2/6; settlement price, £249. Sales amounted to 950 tons, comprising cash at £249 to £249 10/-, early February £249 10/- to £249 15/-, and February £250 to £250 15/-, and finally £250. English ingots £250 to £250 10/-. COPPER ruled 5/- to 7/6 lower, with moderate dealings. Standard, cash quoted at £62 2/6 to £62 5/-; three months, £63 17/6 to £63; settlement price, £62 5/-. About 900 tons changed hands, cash at £62 5/-, early February £62 6/3, and February £62 7/6, and three months £63 5/-, £63 2/6, £63 5/-, and finally £62 18/9. LEAD quietly steady; 200 tons sold, February at £32 2/6, April £31 12/6. SPELTER steadier. Some 900 tons sold, January at £35 10/-, February £35 10/- to £35 2/6, March £34 10/- to £34 2/6, and April £34 7/6 to £34. Market somewhat irregular. Tin plates firm, unaltered.

IRISH FAIRS.

PHILIPSTOWN (KING'S COUNTY).—This fair was well attended by both buyers and sellers, and there was a fine supply of stock offered for sale in all departments. The rail strike did not seem to have much effect, and prices in most cases were up to the level of those got at the previous fairs. Good cows paid well, while store cattle in forward condition were in keen demand. Good springers were eagerly bought up at prices which showed an increase of at least £4 per head. Quotations: First class springers, £24 to £32; second class and inferior, £14 to £20; good cows, £22 to £30; two and three years old heifers and bullocks, £11 to £20, according to size and quality; yearlings, £7 10/- to £8 10/-; good sheep, £4 to £5; lambs, 42/6 to 52/6; store pigs sold at 80/- per cwt. (live weight); bonhams (eight to ten weeks old), 12/- to 19/- each.

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PRODUCE AND FOOD.

CATTLE.

METROPOLITAN CATTLE, Monday.—Supplies of fat beasts were on a smaller scale compared with previous Monday, and a fair trade resulted at about steady rates. Norfolks quoted 7/6 to 8/-, shorthorns 7/8, fat cows 5/- to 6/-, and heavy bulls 4/- to 4/8. Sheep supplies were also lighter, and, with a steady demand, prices ruled firm to a shade dearer. Down wethers 11/8, cross-breds 11/8, ewes 6/10 to 7/2, and small Scottish sheep at 12/-, all per stone of 8lbs., to sink offal. Total supplies—214 beasts, 1,858 sheep.

BIRKENHEAD, Monday.—Supplies: 1,403 cattle, 400 lambs. There was steady demand for shorter supply of cattle on offer to-day. Best stallfed bullocks and heifers made 10½d., other classes 9½d. to 10d., bulls and cows 5½d. to 8d. Lambs also met a steady trade around 1/5 per lb., sinking the offal. Birkenhead dressed beef—Fair supplies met a slow but firm trade; best sides made 9d. to 9½d., and secondary beef 8d. to 8½d. per lb.

HULL, Monday.—Beef little cheaper. Good quality beasts on show. Sheep meet ready sale. Pig trade running dull. Best beef, 15/- per stone., seconds, 13/6; cows, 9/- to 12/6; sheep, 1/6 a lb.; shearling, 1/4; ewes, 1/-; small pork, 10/- to 11/-; bacon pigs, 9/- to 10/-.

GLASGOW, Monday.—Hegarty and Kelly report larger supplies of Irish fat cattle at Merklands to-day (Monday). Trade for all classes was slow and a reduction on last week's prices had to be taken to effect a clearance.—(Advt.)

RATHDOWNEY MARKET.—At this week's market the top price paid for pigs was 47/- per cwt. live weight, as compared with 53/- the previous market. A large number remained unsold.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES.—BALTIC, Monday.—WHEAT—The cargo market presented quiet features and trend of values proved weaker in face of large world's shipments. No. 1 Northern Manitoba February-March sellers 48/3, No. 2 ditto 46/9, Pacific February-March 38/3, Australian January-February 46/9, Rosafe (63½lbs.) afloat 45/9, Barusso ditto January-February 43/9. Parcels met a very slow market and values moved against sellers. No. 1 Northern Manitoba January-February quoted 47/3, February-March [illegible], April-May 45/9, Rosafe (63lbs.) January-February 44/-, Barusso ditto 43/3 per 480lbs. MAIZE—With more reserve on the part of sellers regarding Argentine sorts, a steadier tone was apparent. Plate steamers March-April sellers 38/-, April-May 35/9, May-June 34/9. Gal.-Fox, February-March 40/6. Bessarabian ditto 42/6. Parcels in moderate request and firm. Plate January-February sold 40/4½, April-May 34/4½. Gal.-Fox, January-February quoted 40/- per 480lbs. BARLEY—Market dull and featureless, both for cargoes and parcels, with quotations nominally unaltered. OATS steady, with a moderate inquiry for Plate, and this quality f.a.q. February-March held for 19/10½, March-April 20/-. No. 2 Canadian Western January-February 25/3, No. 2 feed ditto 22/3 per 320lbs.

MARK LANE, Monday.—There was a fair attendance of buyers at the week's opening market and a moderate trade passed. Prices were fully steady, while firm for parcels actually available. WHEAT—English firm while in light supply; suitable milling grades quoted 10/2 to 10/6 and inferior 8/9 to 9/3 per 112lbs. Imported firmly held; No. 1 Northern Manitoba quoted 51/-, No. 2 ditto 50/-, No. 3 ditto 48/3, and Rosafe (63lbs.) 48/6, all ex ship to arrive, per 496lbs. FLOUR steady, while in fair request. London standard straight run quoted 39/-, patents 41/- to 42/-, town households 37/- per sack, delivered; country straights from all English wheat 30/6 to 31/6 on rail at London station. Imported quietly steady; Manitoba patents range from 36/- to 39/-, as to quality, and Australian 33/- to 33/6 per 280lbs. ex store. BARLEY firm; English malting quoted 10/6 to 15/-, feeders 10/- to 10/6 per 112lbs. Imported inactive; Californian 44/- to 50/- ex store, Chilian brewing 42/- to 46/- ex ship, both per 448lbs.; No. 4 Canadian Western 35/- ex ship, 36/- landed. Algerian-Tunisian ex ship 33/6, both per 400lbs. MAIZE tends firmer for landed parcels; Plate ex ship 41/6, ditto landed 43/9, Bessarabian ex ship 41/9, ditto landed 43/9, all per 480lbs. OATS quietly steady; English ranges from 9/4 to 10/8 per 112lbs. Imported maintained; Plate f.a.q. ex ship 22/6, ditto landed 23/6, No. 2 Canadian Western ex ship 26/3, landed 27/3, No. 3 ditto ex ship 25/-, landed 26/-, No. 2 Canadian feed landed 24/-, all per 320lbs. MILLERS' OFFALS quiet; broad bran 8/-, ordinary ditto 7/6, middlings 9/-, fine ditto 10/-, bags included, ex mill; light oats 6/3, powdered oat husks 8/3, feed oatmeal 9/3, ground oats 12/9, free on rail, all per cwt. OATMEAL in moderate request at steady rates; London made flaked, also rolled oats, 18/-; medium also fine cuts, 17/6; coarse and medium pinhead 17/6, ordinary Scottish oatmeal 18/-, American 16/6 to 17/- per cwt.

LIVERPOOL, Monday.—WHEAT—Winnipeg and Chicago finished the turn dearer, and forward deliveries of wheat here showed a slight improvement at the outset, but afterwards gave way on heavy world's shipments and better sterling exchange. Little disposition shown to operate and, with easier late afternoon cables, values marked a liberal decline at the finish. Parcels of No. 1 Manitoba Jan.-Feb. sold 46/10½, Australian loading 46/1½, and Baril 15th February 44/4½ per qr. MAIZE—Parcels River Plate due sold 41/1½. Wheat on spot scarce and nominal. Maize on spot steady, unchanged; River Plate 9/1 and other growths 9/- per cental. FLOUR unchanged. Graded red futures opened partially ½d. dearer, afterwards moved downwards with slight fluctuations, closing ½d. to ¾d. per cental lower. Sales 50 loads, at 9/4½ to 9/4 for March, 8/11½ to 8/10½ for May and 8/9½ for July delivery. Closing values—March 9/3¾, May 8/10¾ and July 8/9¾ per cental. Maize nominally unchanged.

PROVISIONS.

LONDON, Monday.—BUTTER—Market displayed generally quiet features, and tendency somewhat unsettled owing to the uncertainty of delivery caused by the railway strike. Quotations:—New Zealand, finest salted 206/- to 210/-, good to fine 200/- to 204/-, inferior 184/- to 194/-, unsalted 210/- to 212/-; Australian, finest salted 200/- to 202/-, good to fine 190/- to 198/-, inferior 170/- to 186/-, unsalted 180/- to 204/-; Argentine, finest 178/- to 182/-, good to fine 168/- to 176/-, inferior 160/- to 166/-; Danish, finest 216/- to 218/-; Baltic States, 196/- to 202/-; Dutch creamery 220/- to 226/- per cwt., and Dutch rolls 25/- to 26/- per 12lbs. CHEESE moves off slowly at about late rates; English in small supply and prices unaltered; Canadian, white and coloured, 104/- to 112/-; New Zealand, white 102/- to 104/-, coloured 102/- to 106/-; Dutch Edam ranges from 86/- to 118/-, and Gouda 84/- to 122/- per cwt. BACON—With ample supplies available, general course of trade remains quiet and prices without material alteration. Quotations:—Irish 86/- to 102/-, Danish 84/- to 98/-, Swedish 80/- to 92/-, Canadian 70/- to 86/-, American Wiltshire cut 64/- to 72/- per cwt. HAMS quiet but generally steady; English, as to weight, quoted 145/- to 200/-; American, long cut green 85/- to 96/-, short cut 88/- to 96/-, picnics 58/- to 61/3 per cwt. LARD—American quiet, while in small supply; Irish bladders quoted 84/- to 88/-, Danish ditto 80/-; American, boxes 80/- to 81/-, pails 83/- to 83/6, cartons 83/6 to 84/6 per cwt. EGGS—Market remains firm for lower-priced qualities, but best sorts move off rather quietly; supply of English is increasing. Quotations:—English 25/- to 27/-; Danish, 18lbs. 28/- to 30/-, 16lbs. 25/- to 27/-; Italian, 17lbs. 26/-, 16lbs. 24/- to 25/-, 15lbs. 22/6 to 23/-; Southern, 21/- to 22/-; Styrian (best), 21/- to 22/-; Jugo-Slavian, Serbian, also Hungarian, 20/- to 21/-; Dutch, all brown 28/- to 29/-, mixed 24/- to 26/-; Egyptian, 11/6 to 13/6; Morocco 16/- to 17/-; and Chinese range from 14/- to 20/- per 120.

LIVERPOOL, Monday.—Irish and Danish BACON freely offered, and latter reduced to 86/- to 92/-. Canadian quiet. American in only moderate demand. Wiltshires declined to 62/- to 67/- and Cumberlands 61/- to 66/-. HAMS quiet, easier; longs 83/- to 88/- and shorts 90/- to 97/-. LARD on spot generally 1/- lower. CHEESE quiet. BUTTER easier. EGGS unchanged. REFINED LARD FUTURES declined 6d. to 9d. owing to weak afternoon Chicago cables. January sold down to 74/9, February 69/3, March 68/6, May 67/6 and September 69/3 per cwt.

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DUBLIN WHOLESALE VEGETABLE, Monday.—Very limited supplies on market, namely—York cabbage, 20/- to 30/- per load, Savoy, 48/- per load. Swede turnips, 1/10 to 2/2 per cwt.

CORK BUTTER, Monday.—There is little change in the tone of the market. Supplies remain ample, but demand continues slow. Creameries, 216/- per cwt.; choicest salted, 216/-; farmers' fresh supplies, 175/-.

DUBLIN WHOLESALE FISH, Monday.—The usual small quantity of fish offering for a Monday's market—viz., 5 chests lobsters, 30 packages herrings, and prices run as follows:—Large lobsters, 20/- to 30/-; seconds, 12/6 to 15/-, and small, 5/- to 7/6 per lot of 15; herrings averaged 15/- per box and 27/6 per barrel. Everything sold.

GRIMSBY FISH, Monday.—Fair supply. Demand moderate. Plaice, 12/6 lemon soles, 15/6; halibut, 14/- to 16/-; cod, 3/- to 5/-; skate, 5/- to 6/-; small haddocks, 3/6; kit, 5/6; gibbed, 6/6; dabs, 7/6; codlings, 4/- per stone; soles, /1; turbot, 1/2; brill, 10d per lb.

BILLINGSGATE FISH, Monday.—Supply liberal; demand fair. Soles, 12d. to 15d.; slips, 11d. to 13d. per lb.; live eels, 25/- to 45/-; dead, 15/- to 30/-; draught; turbot, 12/- to 16/-; brill, 9/- to 10/-; plaice, 3/- to 11/- halibut, 12/- to 15/-; lemon soles, 10/- to 14/-; whitches, 8/- to 10/-; cod, 5/- to 7/-; whiting, 2/- to 5/-; hake, 8/- to 9/-; skate wings, 4/- to 6/- haddock, 5/- to 6/- per stone.

LONDON CENTRAL MEAT, Monday.—Beef steady. Scotch sides, long 7/4 to 7/8; English, 7/4 to 7/8; short, 7/8 to 8/4; English 5/8 to 7/-; Argentine chilled hindquarters, 3/10 to 4/2. Mutton steady. Scotch tegs, 10/- to 11/4; wethers, 8/4 to 10/4; English wethers, 8/4 to 9/8. Lambs easier; Scotch hills, 8/4 to 10/4; imported, 6/10 to 7/2.

PRODUCE.

LONDON, Monday.—SUGAR—Messrs. Tate and Lyle's cubes 63/- to 64/-, granulated fine and coarse grain 61/7½, No. 1 61/4½, No. 2, also London and T.L., 61/1½; crushed 61/6, yellow crystals 55/7½, granulated February 61/-, March 60/-. Glebe K granulated January delivery London 60/-, February-March 60/3, ditto January Greenock 58/9, February-March 50/3, white Java spot 58/3 to 58/6, ditto May-June steamer London sold 27/-, June-July 25/10½, c.f. and i. terms. Czecho granulated spot 59/9, ditto January-March 29/10½, March-April 30/1½, f.o.b. Hamburg. Polish crystals spot sold 58/3. Belgian granulated ready for shipment changed hands at 31/- f.o.b. Ghent. German granulated ready quoted 31/-, f.o.b. Hamburg. Offers of American granulated remain small and mostly above buyers' ideas. Cuban, basis 96 p.c., March shipment quoted 27/3, c.f. and i. terms U.K. White terminal manifested a good deal of activity, and a firmer tone predominated; January delivery sold 30/10½ to 31/1½, March 29/9 to 29/10½, May 28/9 to 28/10½, August 28/1½ to 28/4½, October-December 24/9 per cwt. COFFEE—All mild parcels remain scarce, and command very full rates in face of sustained Continental demands. The finer qualities of Brazilian are very firm and also wanted. Futures quiet, but very firm; March quoted 76/-, May 75/-, July 73/6 per cwt. COCOA—Market steady on spot, with a moderate demand; Accra F/F quality February-April quoted 32/- per cwt. f.o.b. terms.

TEA—Indian auctions totalled 35,000 packages, and with active and generally well distributed competition a firm tone resulted; Pekoe sold 1/4½ to 1/7½, broken ditto 1/4½ to 1/8½, Pekoe Souchong 1/4½ to 1/6, orange Pekoe 1/5½ to 2/3½, broken orange 1/5½ to 2/4 per lb. in bond. RICE—General trade is quiet, but prices showed no particular alteration; two stars Rangoon spot 16/6, February-March 15/3; Spanish, also Italian for shipment, 20/- c.f. and i. London. Japanese peas spot 23/- per cwt. SPICE—Pepper remained quiet and without new feature; black Singapore February-April L.S. quoted 4½d., Lampong 4 9-16d., Muntok January-March sellers 7d., February-April 7¼d., March-May 7¼d. Zanzibar cloves—January-March 1/2 per lb. TAPIOCA steady, unaltered, on spot and firm forward. Sago Flour January-March 16/3. Desiccated Coconut—Spot fine cut 45/-, medium 47/-, halves March-April 43/3 per cwt. Ginger firm. JUTE in moderate request and market steady; first grade January-February usual Continental ports sold £26 5/-, February-March £26 12/6, March-April £27 per ton. Hessians steady, unaltered, with fair inquiries from the River Plate. Heavy goods mostly unaltered. HEMP—Manila slow, but steady; J grade January-March £34 10/- value, K £26 15/-, L £25 15/-, and M £24. New Zealand, also African sisal unchanged. Manila receipts last week cabled 28,000 bales; estimate for next week, 28,000, and week after, 36,000 bales.

SHELLAC quiet; T.N. March quoted 270/-, May 267/6 per cwt. COPRA was rather unsettled and lower, with buyers showing a good deal of reserve, demand has fallen off of late. F.M.S. Straits November-January Rotterdam quoted £31 5/-, December-February £30 15/-, January-March sold £30 5/- to £30 2/6, Dutch East Indies January-March quoted £30, Java January-February £31, South Sea Islands ditto £29 15/-, Ceylon ditto £34. PALM KERNELS weaker, and February-April Liverpool quoted £20 17/6 per ton. RUBBER opened very steadily, but became quieter and somewhat unsettled; standard plantation crepe and sheet spot sold 1/2¼, February 1/2¼ to 1/2½, March 1/2½ to 1/2¾, April-June 1/2¾ to 1/2½, July-September 1/3 to 1/2¾ and 1/2½. To New York standard estate sheet February-March buyers 1/2½, and March-April 1/2¾ per lb. c.f. and i. London stocks, 56,965 tons. Wild sorts slow of sale at previous rates. GAMBIER—Market dull; block January-February quoted 51/- per cwt. c.f. and i. terms. OILS—Linseed firm and demand continued active; spot quoted 46/-, March-April 39/9, May-August sold freely at 38/- to 38/3, September-December 37/6. Rape, Cotton and Coconut unaltered. Turpentine quiet; American spot sold 76/6 to 78/3, February-April quoted 79/- per cwt. OILSEEDS—Linseed market was steady, and a fair demand ensued with regard to Plate descriptions; Calcutta January quoted £22 5/-, April-May £19 10/-, Plate January-February sold £18 5/-, April-May at £18. Rapeseed steady, but general trade quiet; Egyptian black January sellers £13 15/-, white £12 8/9, Bombay January-February £10 17/6 per ton.

LINSEED CAKES—The trade for the moment is at a standstill owing to the strike, with the exception, of course, of water-borne freights round the coast, and there is little or no business passing in forward positions. Meantime, however, prices remain quietly steady at £13 5/- to £13 10/- for spot delivery, £11 10/- to £11 15/- for March-April, and £10 10/- to £10 15/- for May-August. Cotton Cakes—Stocks of Egyptian are more plentiful, and quotations are firmly held up at £7 5/- ex quay and £7 ex ship for parcels afloat, with English unchanged at £7 2/6 to £7 7/6 ex mill. Decorticated Cotton Cakes—A parcel of Brazilian—46 p.c. oil and albuminoids—just arrived offers at £11 10/ and meal at £12 10/-. Groundnut Cakes—English made undecorticated are cheaply offered at £9 per ton, and there is also some semi-decorticated—analysing about 46 p.c. oil and albuminoids—of good value at £10 15/- to £11 per ton. Offals—Best quality middlings are again the turn dearer at £9 5/- to £9 10/-, and bran has also advanced fully 10/- per ton at £8 to £8 10/-. Maize Foods—Garton's maize gluten feed remains exceptionally good value at £8 15/- to £9, and maize germ meal at £9 15/- to £10 10/- per ton ex mill.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR, Monday.—Market opens strong, with a good demand for all classes of white sugars at generally advanced prices, refiners quoting 59/- for fine granulated, and 58/6 for secondary quality.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BRADFORD WOOL, Monday.—Business has become quieter, and most users are disinclined to trade at the high prices now quoted. Topmakers are preserving a strong protective attitude on the basis of 6/- for sixty-fours and 25d. for forties, prepared. Spinners are well employed, but find it difficult to pass on full advance in tops.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Sitting for Proof of Debts.—21.
SAORSTAT EIREANN.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
KING'S BENCH DIVISION—IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the Matter of
MARTIN McDONNELL, of Roscommon, in the County of Roscommon, Merchant, a Bankrupt.

A Public Sitting in this Matter will be held before the Chief Registrar, at the Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, on Monday, the 18th day of February, 1924, at the hour of Eleven o'clock forenoon, for the Proof and Admission of Debts and for the vouching of the Official Assignee's account.

A creditor may prove his debt at the Sitting, or send his affidavit of debt in the prescribed form or his detailed account to the undernamed Official Assignee four days previously to the Sitting in order to have the same admitted.

Owing to the destruction of all records in the burning of the Four Courts, the list of creditors in this matter has been destroyed. All creditors, although they may have already made proofs and received dividends, must send a new claim to the Official Assignee if they desire to receive a further dividend.

Dated this 28th day of January, 1924.

W. A. T. COBBE, Second Assistant.
A. G. HOLLINSHEAD, Official Assignee.
The Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin.
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TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Dick Whittington," 7.30 p.m.
Theatre Royal—"A Whirl of Girls," 6.45 and 9.
Abbey Theatre—"Queer Ones," and "The Shadow of a Gunman," 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Cinderella," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Hot Lips," 6.45 and 9.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"Enemies of Women," 3, 5.30, and 8 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"The Return of the Prodigal."
The Grafton—"My American Wife," 1 to 10.30.
Rotunda Pictures—"Doctor's Orders."
Princess, Rathmines—"Broadway Rose."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"Find the Woman," 4.15, 6.40 and 9.5 p.m.
Rathgar Presbyterian Church—Literary Recital, Lecture Hall, 8 p.m.
Cumann na nGaedheal Council, 11 a.m.
St. Patrick's Cathedral—Organ Recital, 4.45 p.m.
Dublin Sessions, 11 a.m.
Dail Courts, 11 a.m.
Royal Society of Antiquaries, 63 Merrion square, 4.30 p.m.

The British sense of justice is a very wonderful thing.—Lady Astor.

The Irish Times.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 1924.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

During an attempt to rob the National Bank at Baltinglass, County Wicklow, yesterday, the manager, Mr. Wolfe, and a civic guard who came on the scene when the raid was in progress, were wounded by revolver shots. The raiders, who numbered two, did not get any money. They drove away in a motor car.—(Page 5.)

The sub-offices of the Munster and Leinster Bank and of the National Bank at Cappoquin, County Waterford, were robbed yesterday of £500 and £1,500 respectively by three armed men in a motor car. A bank official was fired on while running to the barracks to raise the alarm.—(Page 5.)

The Court of King's Bench in Dublin yesterday reserved judgment in a case in which an order was asked to quash a sentence of twelve months' imprisonment imposed by the Nenagh magistrate on Captain F. R. Eustace on a charge of having unlawfully in his possession stolen goods.—(Page 7.)

The Dublin Corporation have unanimously decided to have a private bill promoted in the Oireachtas to reserve all rights in connection with the Liffey power development to the Corporation.—(Page 3.)

Our Political Correspondent says that the new Local Government Bill will abolish Rural District Councils.—(Page 5.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Lord Haldane's Committee appointed to consider the system of entering officers in the Army suggests that greater attractions should be offered to "first-class brains."—(Page 5.)

The Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries have made an order which will permit the re-opening of Dundee landing place on the 1st proximo for the landing of cattle under the usual conditions.—(Page 6.)

A conference to settle the railway strike took place at the Euston Hotel last night.—(Page 5.)

ABROAD

Fifteen persons were killed in a gas explosion in a lodging house in Pawtucket, United States, early yesterday morning.—(Page 5.)

In an address to the Grand Assembly of the Fascist Party yesterday, Signor Mussolini condemned "Mussolini-ism," with which he had no sympathy. He claimed that the people's liberties were unimpaired, while reforms had been carried out.—(Page 6.)

A circular which has been issued to German traders suggests that they might evade the payment of certain duties by sending goods to Great Britain through the Irish Free State. The German Consul-General in Dublin describes the contents of the circular as "entirely incorrect."—(Page 5.)

Convicts were among the mourners at the funeral of Lenin.—(Page 5.)

The names of the members of the new Egyptian Cabinet are announced. Two Copts are included. The appointments are popular, and Zaghlul received an ovation from a great crowd outside his house.—(Page 5.)

German newspapers are interested in what they regard as Mr. Macdonald's criticism of French policy, but do not expect that any results will follow.—(Page 5.)

SPORTING.

At Nottingham yesterday Mitchells won the Harrington Hurdle Handicap.—(Page 8.)

FINANCIAL.

In London yesterday the Stock Markets were strong and cheerful, with a good tone.—(Page 9.)

Money conditions in Lombard street were harsh owing to scarcity of loanable credits. The foreign exchanges were better, with an improving figure for sterling in New York.—(Page 9.)

Dublin Stock Market was firm, with strength in Bank of Ireland, which, at 266½, recovered 5½ points of the dividend deduction.—(Page 9.)

At the meeting of the Hibernian Bank yesterday the increased dividend was approved. A high compliment was paid to Mr. John Murphy on his retirement from the Board.—(Page 9.)

The "Broadcasting" Inquiry.

Dail Eireann's Committee on "broadcasting" continues to sit behind closed doors. The report was promised for the last day of the present month; but it is stated now that the Committee's work will not be completed on that date and that an *interim* report will be issued. It is stated also that the final report will not contain a full record of the evidence taken by the Committee, which will leave the matter to the discretion of the *Dail*. This journal never has been infected with the mania for publicity in all seasons and at any cost. Governments sometimes serve the public interest most truly by keeping secrets, and the maxim that "the many-headed beast should know" can be honoured more wisely in the breach than in the observance. In this "broadcasting" business, however, any suppression of facts would be a blunder that might have far-reaching and lasting results. As to those facts, we assume nothing because we know nothing. The Postmaster-General prepared and published a scheme for the control of "broadcasting" in the Free State. The *Dail* appointed a Committee of inquiry into the merits of the scheme, and since that Committee began to sit all sorts of rumours have been floating about Dublin. Some of these rumours whisper of "startling revelations" made before the Committee, and hint that attempts have been made to use public influence for purposes of private gain. The rumours may be false or true. We are anxious to believe them false; but, even on that assumption, it is enormously important that they shall be discredited. The Free State has made an excellent start, and its Government has won already a high reputation for straight dealing with British Ministers and with native minorities. That reputation is one of the Government's most precious assets. It would be impaired grievously if any circumstance should allow any friend or enemy to fear or hope that the Government could connive at the suppression of anything in the nature of a public scandal. At this moment a financial scandal is shaking the United States Government to its foundations; and, apart from questions of morality, our Government cannot afford, by any negligence or timidity, to incur a similar risk. The current rumours may be utterly false; but their falseness must be exposed, and it can be exposed convincingly in one only way. The full text of the Committee's report and every word of the evidence on which it will be based must be given to the country on the same day on which they are presented to the *Dail*. Any other course would set the tongues of the Free State's enemies wagging throughout both hemispheres. President Cosgrave and his colleagues, conscious of their unblemished honour, may be tempted to cry, "They say; what say they? Let them say"; but on this occasion they must put the State first. The voice of scandal, however silly and reckless, must be stifled once for all.

Ireland's Foreign Trade.

The problem of the Free State's trade relations with foreign countries has been the cause of great public interest for some time, and a minor "sensation" followed yesterday's announcement of a German "plot" to introduce foreign goods into Great Britain under the guise of Irish manufactures. In one sense, at least, this matter is important, since it raises the whole question of the Free State's external trade. There has been a great deal of talk about this subject during recent months. The admirable report of the Fiscal Commission has been assailed without mercy in *Dail Eireann*. Everybody is discussing the merits and demerits of protective tariffs; and for the first time, perhaps, in centuries, the average Irishman is beginning to take a real interest in economics. Apart from the controversies of the moment, this change is an excellent thing. It is well that our business men and workers should shake off the provincialism which has been holding them back for a long time, and should realise the interdependence of the Free State and all its commercial and industrial competitors. Discussion of the tariff problem will tend to correct the perspective of many otherwise excellent men of affairs whom the comfortable proximity of the great British market has robbed of that sense of commercial responsibility which can be gained only through a hard fight against the keenest competition.

Since the birth of the Free State there has been a sharp reaction against the traditional policy of "leaving it to England," and, as happens in the case of most reactions, the process is beginning to go too far. We hear a great deal about the Free State's trade with Germany, with Italy, with this country and with that, and the Government has established costly consulates in various European capitals. Ultimately, however, the Free State has only one market in which to sell her produce; and that market is in Great Britain. The others do not count. We may buy a few thousand pounds' worth of German pianos, French wines or American motor cars, but, in order to pay for them, we must sell our cattle, butter and eggs to the people of industrial England. The Free State is, and must remain, an agricultural community. Manufactures may—and we hope that they will—spring up, but, in the nature of things, they are bound to be small industries deriving their support from the land and its products. Some day when the population of the Free State is fifteen or twenty millions the question of big industries may arise. In the meanwhile, however, most of the talk about turning Dublin into another Sheffield and Limerick into a Solingen is merely nonsense, and betrays a complete ignorance of the very rudiments of economic science.

The Free State never will be a great manufacturing country. It is too far from the Continent to hope to be able to capture the market for agricultural produce which is virtually the preserve of Holland, Switzerland and Denmark. Therefore, the best interests of our people demand that the English market shall be developed to the utmost, and there is room almost for the doubling of our export trade to Great Britain. A reasonably scientific policy of agricultural organisation would raise the standard of all our produce, and consequently would increase the demand for it in British homes. Then we should not need to care about our exports of blackthorn sticks to Jugo-Slavia or any of the other bagatelles of international trade which sound so well and mean so little. The greatest market in the world lies at our doorstep; yet we continue to treat it with a sort of proprietary contempt. We waste our money in trying to cajole other countries to trade with us, whereas all they want is to use the Free State as a convenient "dumping" ground for the goods which they are unable to sell to England. The report of the recent Fiscal Commission proved that some Irishmen, at any rate, are determined to face facts, and, if its example were followed by all those engaged in the trade of the country, prosperity would not be long in coming. We have no objection to trade with Germany, France or any other country on the face of the globe, but we do think that the substance of our staple business with Britain ought to be our nearest and dearest concern.

The Training of Officers.

The report of Viscount Haldane's Committee on the system by which officers are admitted to combatant branches of the British Army is published to-day. During recent years the opinion has been expressed in some quarters that the naval method ought to be adopted, and that cadets should begin their training at a much earlier age. This view is rejected by Lord Haldane's Committee, which, indeed, favours an extension of the age limit for entrance to the Army, as tending towards greater efficiency and a reduction of expense. Lord Haldane, who was the founder of the Territorial Army and was responsible for the reorganisation of the British General Staff, always has been a theorist with imagination. It is not surprising, therefore, that his Committee should put forward schemes to remove the stigma of lack of initiative that some people attach to the profession of arms. One suggestion is that candidates for cadet colleges shall possess certificates of Oxford and Cambridge boards, or approved equivalents. The Committee recommends that the university nomination system shall be extended to the Dominions, including Ireland. It suggests also that courses at the Military Colleges shall be revised and curtailed to eighteen months, and that they shall not begin until candidates have reached the age of eighteen. The real trouble, however, lies deeper. It is not that cadets lack intellect when they enter a military career, but rather that the system under which they are trained in the junior ranks tends to weaken their individuality. Perhaps, the Committee's recommendations will effect a change, but it must be gradual. A too hasty process of reform might be more harmful than helpful.

Australian Meat.

The movement to develop a dressed meat industry in the Free State lends interest to the struggle that is now being waged between Australia and America, North and South. The Sydney Correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* tells us how the situation is faced in the Australian Commonwealth. Although new markets, notably in the Far East, are sought, Australia's chief aim is the capture of trade in England. Disappointed by the result of the British election, which has killed their hopes of Imperial preference, the Australian graziers have been thrown back upon their own efforts. Two principles predominate in their policy—organisation and advertisement. Nearly two years ago an Australian Meat Council was formed to co-ordinate the labours of individual producers and to protect their common interests. The control of the Council is in the hands of the producers, and all the States engaged in the export trade are represented; but American competition precludes any fear of inflation in prices. As a temporary measure, the Commonwealth Government has renewed the subsidy of one farthing *per* pound on exported beef and has advanced a sum of £50,000, pending the completion of a levy which producers in Australia are raising by voluntary contributions. A vigorous campaign of propaganda is projected, including an attractive display at the British Empire Exhibition. The Council has succeeded in reducing freights, handling charges and other incidental expenses. Its work is receiving enthusiastic support and, in spite of many difficulties, the campaign holds bright prospects of success.

ON CRITICISM.

(BY BENJAMIN TROVATO.)

I AM told by the young bloods in the artistic world here that our standards of criticism, as applied to Letters and the Arts, are in much need of improvement. There is much truth, no doubt, in the plaint, and so, being a humble fellow, I decided to sit for a season at the feet of these youthful masters of wisdom so that my soul might be filled with strange magics. I will say for the youths that there is no hesitation on their part when it comes to giving one instruction or to accepting a disciple. They are so confoundedly sure of themselves that one looks itchingly at the toe of one's boot, wondering whether one should apply to them the same treatment which, in the days of one's cubhood, one's seniors used. Like Squeers, these young men give their instruction in practical form.

They take one to see a picture painted by one of their friends and ask one does one not think that it is "too terribly good?" Being of an older generation, the collocation of "too terribly good" jars upon my old-fashioned ear, but no doubt it is better prose than I could achieve. As to the picture, it represented to my eyes a battered tin can painted an ugly blue and festooned, as to the top of it with a dead rat painted madder, and as to its other extremity with a section of a fish's head partially decomposed. The title of the picture was "A Turkish Lady." I can scarcely conceive that there can be Turkish ladies who look like a compound of a tin can, a dead rat and a decayed codfish. I said so to my mentor, and added, "To me the thing is wretchedly ugly and meaningless to boot."

"Meaningless?" echoed my friend. "Of course, it is meaningless. You don't expect meaning in the Arts?"

I ventured to say that I did.

"Don't be so fustily Early Victorian," cried by preceptor, "only provincials think of ideas in connection with art."

"But," said I, "take for instance Letters. Surely you expect a play or a poem or an essay to have meaning?"

My guide laughed. "You are too terribly funny," he said. "It is the words and the sound that one looks for in a poem, the idea does not matter. If you are interested in ideas read Plato or Browning or stuffy people like that. All great art is meaningless."

"I suppose," said I, "it is also formless."

My preceptor clapped me on the back. "You are learning at last," he said. "We will yet make a modern of you. Read my next article."

"Meaningless and formless," I murmured to myself and fell to reading his article. Then I understood!

ENJOYABLE RECITAL.

FINE ACHIEVEMENT BY DR. LARCHET'S ORCHESTRA.

Yesterday afternoon at the Theatre Royal, Dublin, the recital for the Royal Dublin Society was in many aspects the most noteworthy of the series. It marked the revival of serious orchestral music with us, in that it was by a Dublin orchestra, under a Dublin musician—Dr. J. F. Larchet.

The beauty and finish of the "readings" are the happiest augury that music, at least, is to have due place in the general reconstruction now taking place; and the life and spontaneity of these were only made possible by the fact that the orchestra contained so much of our best talent. Not since the days of the Dublin Orchestral Society under Dr. Espositi and the eclectic Woodbrook concerts have we had a Dublin combination quite so artistically satisfying.

It was unfortunate that in the Franck "Variations Symphoniques" Miss Annie Lord could not use a full grand piano, as the orchestra instruments are "high" pitch—an argument for the "flat" pitch of the future. But Miss Lord gave the piano solo with singular dignity and feeling. "Schumannesque in spirit, but Lisztian in technique," as Westerby describes this work, it was in beautiful relation yesterday. The full, clear piano, both *pianissimo* and in thunderous rolls, and the extreme delicacy of the orchestral manipulation, in support or contrast, brought out the nobility and purpose that await the student in all Cesar Franck's writings.

It was a happy thought to give the Purcell "Suite in C" (for string orchestra); as Parry says, it is "just possible that Bach had come across" the Purcell suites, and was influenced by them. The Purcell "Prelude," so essentially English, and the studied grace of both dance forms were exquisite, of the finest blend and texture: the "March" ineffective to modern ears. But in the Bach "Sarabande" one was impressed more than ever by the mastery and ease with which contrapuntal devices—'cello against violin in particular—are used.

The "Adagietto" from Bizet, clever in tone-blending and restraint, and the picturesque "Jour de Fête" (Rimsky-Korsakov) of the finest for strings alone. Mozart's "Symphony in G minor" (Op. 40), with its fine flute writing and underlying sense of dialogue for the instruments, was engrossing, played at such finely maintained poise.

Dr. Larchet is to be congratulated upon his contribution to the revival of music in Ireland. His work has always had the first quality of sincerity—in composition as in reproduction from the classicists—never more so than in yesterday's recital.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The King and Queen spent the week-end at York Cottage, making the journey from Buckingham Palace by motor car. They made a slight detour, in order to inspect the King's racehorses at Newmarket, where Major Fetherstonhaugh, manager of the Royal stud, received Their Majesties and showed them round the stables. Yesterday the King and Queen returned to London, with Lady Elizabeth Dawson, Lieutenant-Colonel A. Erskine, and Captain the Hon. Alexander Hardinge in attendance.

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The Duc d'Aosta, who has recovered slowly from his recent illness, and the Duchesse d'Aosta, have left Naples for Egypt, where they will remain until the late spring. The Duke of Richmond and Gordon will leave Goodwood next week for Gordon Castle for the opening of the salmon fishing on the Spey. The Duchess of Norfolk, who has had a sharp attack of bronchitis, is progressing towards recovery.

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The Governor-General of South Africa, the Earl of Athlone, and Princess Alice, attended the garden party which was given by General Smuts last week at his official residence, Groote Schruer, Cape Town. A number of leading South Africans and representatives of the Union Parliament, which opened on the next day, were presented to the Governor and to Her Royal Highness.

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The Earl of Midleton arrived in London yesterday from Peper Harow. Lady Lovat left London yesterday for Switzerland. Lady Pearson has returned to England from St. Moritz. Viscount de Mamblas, Secretary of the Spanish Embassy, London, is leaving to-day for Italy, and will be away for some weeks. Earl Fitzwilliam has returned to England from Switzerland. Lord and Lady Swansea will leave Caer Beres, Brecknockshire, this week for London, where they will spend six weeks. Sir William and Lady Chance, who left England last week, have arrived at Gibraltar.

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The Infanta Eulalia of Spain has arrived at the Palace Hotel, St. Moritz, where Lord Inverclyde and the Hon. F. and Mrs. Curzon are among the English visitors. Other arrivals at St. Mortiz include the Hon. Mrs. Humphrey de Trafford, Sir Cyril Kendall-Butler, Lord Grimthorpe, and Mr. A. Orr-Ewing.

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Viscount Hampden, who is fifty-five to-day, succeeded his father in 1906 as third Viscount and twenty-fifth Baron Dacre, a title first held by tenure and later by writ, dated 1321. The fifteenth Baron was created Earl of Sussex, but, as he left no son, this title became extinct in 1715, and his daughter succeeded to the Barony. The present peer was formerly in the 10th Hussars, and in the late war he was temporarily Brigadier-General in command of a Brigade. He married Lady Katherine Montague-Scott, daughter of the sixth Duke of Buccleuch, and they will celebrate their silver wedding next April. Their family consists of three sons and four daughters. The eldest son, the Hon. Thomas Brand, is in the Rifle Brigade.

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The Duke of Northumberland will be the principal guest at the annual dinner of the Imperial Chapter and Ladies' Grand Council of the Primrose League. The Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery will preside, in the absence of the Earl of Derby, who will be in the South of France.

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A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between O. P. Beater, M.D. and LL.B., of Dublin, and Gertrude W. Hayes, daughter of the late Frederick Hayes, Esq., of Roveen House, Sharavogue, King's County.

MARRIAGE OF LORD ARTHUR BUTLER AND MISS CARLOS CLARKE.

Last Saturday the marriage took place at Sunninghill Parish Church, Ascot, of Lord Arthur Butler, M.C., 17th/21st Lancers, younger son of the Marquis and Marchioness of Ormonde, and Miss Jessie Carlos Clarke, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carlos Clarke, of Woodlands, Sunninghill. The bride was given away by her father, and wore a lovely gown of ivory satin, with a pearl and crystal ceinture and a train to match, edged with ermine. Her veil of Carrickmacross lace, held in place by a diamond arrow, was lent by the Hon. Mrs. Ronald Macdonald, and her ornaments were a pearl necklace (the gift of the bridegroom's parents) and a diamond brooch (the gift of the bridegroom). She was attended by one bridesmaid, her sister, Miss Marcella Carlos Clarke, wearing a white crêpe romaine costume, trimmed with ermine, and a black lace hat, and her bouquet was of red carnations. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. W. Blackburne, D.S.O., M.C., Chaplain of the Royal Military College, Camberley, assisted by the Rev. A. R. Ingram and the Rev. E. B. Grant. The Earl of Ossory supported his brother as best man.

During the Service, which was fully choral, the bride's sister, Mrs. Harold Cowan, sang Gounod's "Song of Ruth." After the ceremony a reception was held at Lynwood House, lent by Mr. and Mrs. Chaplain, and among those present were the Marquis and Marchioness of Ormonde, the Countess of Ossory, Lady Constance Butler, Lady Rachel Egerton, Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Clarke, Lady Beatrice and Miss Pole Carew, Lady Evelyn Drummond, Major and Lady Eileen Clarke, Lieutenant-Colonel Melvill and the Officers of the 17th Lancers, Sir Neville and Lady Chamberlain, General and Mrs. Buckley, Sir W. and Lady Foster, Sir Edward and Lady Henry, and Captain and Mrs. Devaynes Smyth.

Last Week of Sale—All accumulations of Fashion, Fabric, and Household Sections to be cleared regardless of cost.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South George's street.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference. — The anti-cyclone west of Sicily is likely to continue to keep depressions well to the north of Scotland. The weather will be cloudy and rather mild in the North, with westerly winds and occasional drizzle in places. In the South quiet, fair to cloudy weather is indicated, with slight frost locally at night, and some morning mist or fog.

Ireland. — Wind westerly or south-westerly, moderate, fresh in places; cloudy; occasional drizzle in places; visibility moderate or good; rather mild.

South-West Seaboard.—Wind variable, light; fair or cloudy; visibility moderate or good; sea slight.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Wind westerly, light to moderate or fresh; cloudy; local drizzle; visibility moderate; sea moderate.

North-West Seaboard. — Wind south-westerly, increasing, risk of local gale; cloudy; occasional drizzle; visibility moderate; sea rather rough.

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Monday	30.50

SUN.

To-day....Rises	8.17	Sets	5. 0
To-morrow..	8.15		5. 2
Lighting-up Time			6. 0

HIGH WATER.
DUBLIN.

To-day.....Morning	4.27	Afternoon	4.55
To-morrow..	5.30		6. 3

The dog is an animal with a base mind that will apparently run after anything that it thinks is running away from it, from a cat to a motor car.—Mr. Robert Lynd.

Call a spade a spade and one might as well use it to dig one's grave.—Mr. T. L. C. Humberstone.

LONDON LETTER.

"THE CAPITALIST GANG."

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
MONDAY NIGHT.

Once again the suggestion is made in connection with the railway strike that the railways are run by a gang of capitalists, and this has induced a writer in the *Evening Standard* to turn up the last official figures, published in 1921. These show that there were then over a million individual holders of British railway stock. The total number of railway workers in the country is under three-quarters of a million. Thus the workers are exceeded by shareholders to the number of a quarter of a million or more.

A Socialist Plan.

The £200,000,000 loan for the purpose of combating unemployment is reduced to-day to £50,000,000, and I should advise my readers to be chary of assuming that even the smaller amount will be actually sought. Before recommending it the Chancellor of the Exchequer—Mr. Snowden—naturally would consult his financial advisers as to the probable effect of such a large demand upon the money market. They might be obliged to tell him that, while fifty millions could be raised without much difficulty, the result would be an increase in the current rate of interest which would oblige the Government to pay more for its weekly borrowings. It might also deplete the market of capital now being used for other productive projects, and thus make no real addition to the funds available for providing employment.

Houses.

Much the same doubts assail me when I read the remarks of the new Minister of Health about speeding-up the provision of houses. No doubt, some of the delay is due to the excessive rate of profit demanded by the purveyors of building material as by other merchants. But, as one who for his sins has been compelled to have heavy repairs done to his house recently, I am confident that the main factor in the delay is the high price and the small production of labour. Either the building trade unions must do more for their money or take less money for their work. That is an aspect of the question that Mr. Wheatley appears to have ignored in his speech, but which he will have to think about very seriously if he means to improve upon the results achieved by his Conservative predecessor.

The Macdonald Interview.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald's interview with *Le Quotidien*, the Paris newspaper, has been given considerable prominence as an interview with the British Prime Minister, but, as a matter of fact, it was given by Mr. Macdonald before he became Prime Minister-designate. In holding it back the editor of the French newspaper has proved himself to be very astute, particularly as the views set forth are acknowledged by the Prime Minister to be the British point of view as set forth by himself. The interview has helped to clear the political air, and may, perhaps, take the place of an undesirable thunderstorm, but it is evident that there are to be considerable developments in European relations before long. M. Poincaré once more has falsified the prophecy that he would fall from power, and he now seems safe until the general election. Conversations with the Belgian Foreign Minister and between the Prime Minister and the Belgian Ambassador in London, with some intervention by Mr. Massingham in Brussels, seem to suggest that something is about to happen. It is quite possible that there will be another conference between the representatives of this country, France and Belgium as a preliminary to a better understanding.

Soviet Russia.

It is rumoured that Mr. Macdonald had a little surprise at the Foreign Office when he came to discuss the question of the recognition of the Soviet Government. The Foreign Office is the depository of cold, hard facts which do not lend themselves to purely sentimental considerations. For example, Russia's pre-war National Debt is largely held by the French peasant. It would be impossible to agree to wiping off our share in this without causing trouble in France. Then Russia owes us many millions sterling of war debts. If we cancel them, it is quite likely that France will demand a similar concession. Then there are a quarter of a million British subjects whose property and holdings in Russia have been taken from them without a penny in compensation. All this has given Mr. Macdonald to think, and it is quite unlikely that he would declare to-day without reservation that the Soviet Government can be recognised fully and unconditionally.

The Boundary Question.

Alluding to the rumours that Mr. J. H. Thomas was going to the War Office, a contemporary says that he was offered his choice between that and the Colonial Office, and chose the latter because he thought that there would be more doing there—particularly in regard to Ireland. This is held to foreshadow an early reopening of the boundary question. I cannot imagine, however, that any British Government desires to have that question raised prematurely. Unless Northern Ireland and the Free State can agree upon a solution, it cannot be settled, and had better, therefore, be left to the healing effects of time.

Mr. Oswald Mosley.

Mr. Oswald Mosley may be a very clever young man, but his record in the House of Commons scarcely seems to justify the suggestion that he is to become a Peer and represent the Government in an important diplomatic capacity. It is only a few days ago that Mr. Mosley was uncertain whether he belonged to the Socialist Party, and now he is suggested as the possible filler of a prominent post.

A By-Election.

The death of Mr. Daniel Irving, the late member for Burnley, means a by-election, and this may produce an almost Gilbertian situation. The Liberal candidate who stood at the last election means to contest the seat again, and, since he is an ardent supporter of Mr. Asquith, we shall see a supporter of the Liberal leader trying to keep out a supporter of the Government placed in power by Mr. Asquith and his followers. It only needs the presence of one or more of the Liberal leaders at Burnley to support the candidate to make the situation truly ridiculous. The situation is decidedly peculiar, and possibly some action will be taken by the Liberal headquarters in the matter.

An Irish Composer.

At a concert to be given by Madame Aurelie Revy at the Æolian Hall on Monday next several songs by Miss F. E. Woodwright, an accomplished Irishwoman, will be given. Two are new, being "The Fairy Piper," with words by Realte Duffis, of Belfast, and the other "White Dove of the Wild Dark Eyes," with words by Mr. Joseph Plunkett. The concert will be quite international in character; for, apart from Madame Revy, the artists include Miss Mylchreest, the Manx contralto; Miss Yden, the Swedish harpist; Mr. Leonard Lovesey, an English tenor, and Miss Woodwright, an Irishwoman, who will accompany the singers.

Much Government depends upon the oligarchical principle that there is a body of men of such superior culture and knowledge that they should impose their will on the rest of the populace, even to the extent of telling them what they could have for dinner.—Mr. G. K. Chesterton.

You get to know more of the character of a man in a round of golf than you can get to know in six months with only political experience.—Mr. Lloyd George.

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RAIL STRIKE.

PEACE EFFORTS IN LONDON.

A MIDNIGHT CONFERENCE.

THREAT TO STOP THE TUBES.

A MIDNIGHT conference was held in London with the object of settling the railway strike. The meeting was still in progress when we went to press this morning.

After a day of suspense, during which it was plainly evident that Mr. Bromley, the Secretary of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, was perturbed by the absence of any information as to the attitude the railway managers intended to adopt, the situation began to develop towards nine o'clock at night.

Shortly after that hour Mr. Bromley, accompanied by three members of the Executive of the Associated Society, hurriedly left the Hampstead headquarters of the trade union. It was stated that they were to consult with the managers at "a secret meeting place," which Press representatives subsequently discovered was the Euston Hotel.

Shortly after 10 p.m. a joint conference began at the Euston Hotel between:

The railway managers.

The Mediation Committee of the Trade Union Congress.

Mr. Bromley and three members of the Executive of the Associated Society.

About 11 o'clock the seven other members of Mr. Bromley's Executive who had remained behind at their Hampstead headquarters received a telephone message to join the conference, and they arrived at the Euston Hotel at 11.30 p.m.

At four o'clock this morning the conference was still in progress.

The Executive of the Associated Society was in session throughout the day, and at 4 o'clock in the afternoon Mr. Bromley talked darkly of growing impatience at the managers' delay, and of steps to "intensify the strike."

This veiled threat, read in conjunction with earlier statements about the difficulty of restraining the tube motormen, seemed to imply an intention to call out the Associated Society members working the underground trains.

In the morning Mr. Fred. Bramley, the General Council Secretary, stated that the managers were to meet separately to discuss the proposals submitted by the Mediation Committee. His Committee, he added, were ready to meet the managers whenever they were called into consultation.

Late in the afternoon the members of the Committee left the General Council offices for a secret rendezvous.

Mr. Bromley's statement, made half an hour earlier, was as follows:—

"We have waited patiently all day, after the meeting yesterday, and with rumours of negotiations going on. Now, of course, we cannot simply sit here waiting, and my Executive are now considering intensifying the strike."

A little earlier Mr. Bromley had said that a deputation, representing the Tube men, was waiting at the society's headquarters, and urging that they should take part in the struggle.

"I am standing out against it," Mr. Bromley declared, "but how long I shall be successful I cannot say."

Mr. Bromley also stated that if the joint negotiations were renewed, and resulted in an agreement, the Executive had power to call off the strike immediately, so that there would be no delay in order to take a ballot.

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DUBLIN COAL SUPPLIES.

At the Port of Dublin yesterday the only coal arrival of note was the s.s. Essonite, which had brought about 700 tons from Blyth, on the north-east coast of England. From an early hour yesterday morning queues of drays, carts, and other vehicles owned by "bell-men" lined up at coal yards at the port, with the object of securing supplies for hawking round the streets. A system of "rationing" was in vogue. Even the largest firms of coal importers and distributors at the Liffey yesterday discouraged any inclination on the part of their regular customers to adopt "rush" tactics and lay in more than normal supplies of fuel, whether for household or other purposes.

EX-KAISER WILHELM.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AT POTSDAM.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
BERLIN, Monday.

Yesterday was the former Kaiser's sixty-fifth birthday, and it was celebrated at Potsdam in true Monarchicial style. The small Villa of Liebnitz, the former retreat of the German Emperor, and now the home of August Wilhelm, housed such a gathering of Royalty as has not been seen in Germany since the *débacle* of 1918.

For the occasion the large dining room was turned into a chapel, with a High Altar, which was buried under a mass of flowers. Around the altar were grouped the ex-Crown Prince, in a simple blue serge suit; Field-Marshal von Hindenburg, in a brilliant military uniform, and the sons of the ex-Kaiser. Court Pastor Haendel conducted a Prayer Service, and delivered an address, in which he praised the ex-Kaiser as being a real father to his people.

Not more than twenty persons took part in the ceremony, but a small group of about a hundred gathered outside the villa, and cheered the former Crown Prince and Von Hindenburg as they departed in motor cars.

In other Monarchist circles also the ex-Kaiser's birthday was celebrated. From Berlin several hundred telegrams of congratulation were forwarded to the exile at Doorn.

£1,000,000 LOAN.

BRITAIN TO BUILD RAILWAY FOR LITHUANIA.

BY OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Monday.

The Minister of the Republic of Lithuania informed me to-day that negotiations were practically completed for a £1,000,000 loan to Lithuania from the Bank of England, guaranteed by the British Government.

The money is to be applied to the construction of a railway from Shavli to Memel, and is to be granted on condition that the orders are placed in Great Britain. This will mean considerable work, as bridges, locomotives, and 12,000 tons of rails and wagons will be wanted. The railway will take a year to construct.

CABINET MEETING.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald presided over a Cabinet meeting at 10 Downing street, London, yesterday afternoon. The Ministers present included Mr. Clynes, Mr. Stephen Walsh, Lord Haldane, Mr. A. Henderson, Mr. V. Hartshorn, Mr. Philip Snowden, Sir Sidney Olivier, Brigadier-General Thomson, Mr. Tom Shaw, Mr. Sidney Webb, Mr. Noel Buxton, Mr. J. H. Thomas and Mr. F. W. Jowett.

A PORTER AND THE NEW COLONIAL MINISTER.

"ANOTHER SHELL-SHOCK PATIENT."

MR. THOMAS AND THE BLOODLESS REVOLUTION IN BRITAIN.

Mr. J. H. Thomas, M.P., at the Australian Day luncheon in London yesterday, told an amusing story of his first experience as Colonial Secretary.

When he went to the Colonial Office for the first time he told the porter there that he was the Colonial Secretary.

The porter then remarked in a voice audible to him, "Oh, another shell-shock patient."

Mr. Thomas added that the country had passed through a sort of bloodless revolution, which had taken place without any disturbance or upheaval of trade, commerce, or finance. They had all settled down to the fact that a new party was governing the Empire. The least apprehensive of them were the King and the Prince of Wales (who was present at the luncheon), for they long recognised that patriotism and love of Empire were not a monopoly of class or creed, and that during the war the Empire was preserved by the man from the slum as well as by the man from the palace.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

FORECAST OF GOVERNMENT'S BILL.

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

The new Local Government Bill is almost ready for introduction in the Dail. It promises to be as revolutionary as the bill of 1898, which set up the present popularly-elected councils and put an end to the grand jury system. Many weeks ago the *Irish Times* was able to announce exclusively that the abolition of the District Councils had virtually been decided on, and confirmation of this is available in more than one direction.

Yesterday a deputation, claiming to be representative of Rural Councils in the Free State, waited on the Minister for Local Government, and protested against the proposal to do away with those bodies. After a few observations from Mr. Burke, the Minister, the visitors came away with the impression that the Government had made up its mind on the point, and that the Councils must go.

The composition of the delegation, limited in number at the Minister's request, is rather interesting. The members of it were:—Messrs. Patrick Connolly, Chairman, Dublin County Council; P. Cullen, member of the same body; Joseph Brophy, Kilkenny R.D.C.; H. Colohan, Naas R.D.C.; J. Culleton, Wexford R.D.C.; J. Dunphy, Ida (New Ross), R.D.C.; J. Kennedy, Limerick R.D.C.

The new bill will also provide for a reduction in the membership of some of the larger local public bodies. The Dublin Corporation, for instance, will be brought down from 80 to well under 40.

REPARATIONS HUSTLE.

REPORTS BY THE MIDDLE OF FEBRUARY.

FROM OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Monday.

The two important committees of experts, which are engaged in a study of Germany's finances on behalf of the Reparations Commission, have been working with record speed, and it is confidently expected that their reports, which will have a profound effect on the general settlement, will be ready by the middle of February.

An enormous mass of evidence is being digested by the committees, and the hustle is mainly due to the two chairmen, General Dawes and Mr. McKenna.

Mr McKenna leaves London to-morrow for Berlin to pursue his studies into the flight of German capital abroad.

PARIS, Monday.

The first Committee of Experts left here this evening for Berlin.—(Reuter.)

RUM SMUGGLING.

STATE GOVERNOR'S THREAT.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Monday.

The employment of both the United States Army and the United States Navy to see that "our Constitution is obeyed at home and respected abroad" is urged by the Anti-Saloon League of America through Governor Pat Neff, of Texas, in outlining schemes to enforce Prohibition.

Governor Neff asserts that the Federal Government "is not enforcing the Prohibition Law with either the vision or the rigour its importance demands." He threatens to immediately utilise 20,000 soldiers in his State to curb rum smuggling on the international border.

FURIOUS BLIZZARD.

A HUNDRED PERSONS FROZEN TO DEATH.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
ATHENS, Monday.

The temperature dropped to 20 degrees below Zero centigrade during an unprecedentedly furious blizzard which swept Macedonia yesterday. The section of the Simplon express for Athens was snowed up between Salonica and Larissa. Wireless appeals for immediate assistance were sent off from the train, British passengers aboard declaring that there was immediate danger from freezing.

At Salonica alone it is reported nearly a hundred Turks, ready for repatriation in the refuge camp, were frozen to death, and an additional large number is in danger of similar disaster. These Turks were amongst the first of the four hundred thousand being sent back to Turkey from Macedonia under the Lausanne Treaty.

Yesterday was the coldest and snowiest day in Macedonia for more than a hundred years.

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SEVERAL GERMAN SHIPS SUNK.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
CHRISTIANIA, Monday.

A violent hurricane has been raging along the whole Norwegian coast, causing the loss of many lives and much damage to the fishing fleet.

Several German ships have gone down, and others have come to port damaged.

Reports of new disasters are still coming to hand. Already 16 fishermen are reported to have been drowned.

THE PROPOSED WORLD FLIGHT.

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., Monday.

Lieutenant Clayton Bissall, of the U.S. Army Aviation Service, is here completing arrangements for the proposed world flight by United States aeroplanes, which will start from Seattle on April 1st. After leaving here the aeroplanes will alight at several points in Alaska *en route* for Attu, in the Aleutian Islands. From Attu the flight will be continued to Japan.—(Reuter.)

BISHOP AMIGO IN ROME.

ROME, Monday.

The Pope to-day received in audience Monsignor Amigo, Roman Catholic Bishop of Southwark, to whom he bade a most cordial farewell. The Bishop thanked His Holiness for the appointment of an auxiliary Bishop of Southwark, and also for having granted his other requests. The Pope imparted the Apostolic Benediction to Bishop Amigo, authorising him to extend it to the faithful of his diocese.

NO CAPITAL LEVY INQUIRY.

REPORTED DECISION OF LABOUR CABINET.

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Monday.

The attitude to be adopted by the Labour Government towards the Capital Levy, an important item of the Labour Party's election programme, is at present engaging the attention of Ministers.

Statements made by Mr. Ramsay Macdonald and other leaders before they entered office indicated that it was not proposed to introduce legislation on the subject of the Capital Levy in the circumstances of the present political situation, but that the Labour Government might be expected to institute an inquiry with a view to action in the indefinite future.

The question that is now being examined "behind the scenes" is whether it would be wise, in existing circumstances, to appoint a Government Committee to inquire into the Capital Levy.

It is understood that strong representations have been made to the Government against the setting up of a Committee, and the Government is unlikely to ignore the advice it has received.

The objection to the appointment of a Committee at present is that it would create among nervous city interests almost as much alarm as the imposition of the levy itself.

The Government have been extraordinarily well received by the business community throughout the country, and it is urged that the raising of the levy issue, even in the form of an inquiry, would at once provoke a bitter controversy. For these reasons the Government is unlikely to proceed with a levy inquiry.

FIUME SETTLEMENT.

THE POPE'S CONGRATULATION.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
ROME, Monday.

The Treaty of Friendship signed by Italy and Jugo-Slavia yesterday consists of five articles.

The first expresses the intention of both countries to act in friendly co-operation to safeguard common interests; the second binds each country toi observe neutrality in the event of either State being involved in war; and in the case of violent aggression endangering the security of either Power, both engage to give the other political and diplomatic support.

The Treaty, which will be operative for five years, and will be renewable for another five unless denounced at the end of the fourth year, will be registered with the League of Nations, together with the Fiume settlement.

The Pope to-day congratulated M. Pasitch and M. Nintchich, declaring that the Treaty will have a remarkable repercussion on world peace.

"A GREAT GAMBLE."

LORD GLENARTHUR ON THE ELECTION.

Lord Glenarthur, President of the Glasgow Unionist Association, speaking at Glasgow last night, said that the hurried and unexpected election, leading to such deplorable results, was evidently a grave error of judgment. (A Voice—"Questioned.")

He believed that had they in Scotland been consulted before the die was cast, they would not have been in favour of so great a gamble for such high stakes. (Cheers.) There was little use lamenting the past if they could learn its lessons. They had to consider facts as they were, and he hoped that, while realising the seriousness of the situation, they should not magnify it or be unduly depressed.

The Unionist Party was still the largest in the House of Commons. The policy of the new Government would probably be plausibly moderate meantime, but that should not blind them to the ultimate objects of the so-called Labour Party. Therefore Unionists must recognise their individual responsibility; they must have candidates early in the field; they must remedy defects in the local organisation, and carry on with increasing energy their propaganda against the Socialism doctrines. He did not think that the last two elections were trustworthy indications of the permanent disposition of Glasgow.

EXPLOSION IN A LODGINGHOUSE.

FIFTEEN PERSONS KILLED IN AMERICA.

PAWTUCKET, THOFE'S ISLAND, Monday.

An explosion of gas, which set fire to a lodging house early this morning, resulted in a number of deaths. Seven bodies have been recovered up to the present, but many more persons are missing.

The wife of one of the tenants, finding the house full of gas, took a lighted lamp to search for the cause of it. A terrible explosion resulted. Most of the occupants of the house were in bed and asleep at the time.

A later report states:—It is now believed that the gas explosion at a lodging house this morning, which resulted in a number of deaths, was due to the explosion of some dynamite, which had been stored in the cellar by one of the lodgers, a woodcutter.

Fifteen persons have died from the effects of the double explosion, which also shattered all the windows within a radius of half a mile.—(Reuter.)

INCOME TAX CUT.

25 PER CENT. REDUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

A reduction of 25 per cent. in the tax on unearned income up to 20,000 dollars was to-day voted by the House of Representatives' Ways and Means Committee. All incomes under 5,000 dollars were classified as earned for the purposes of this reduction.—(Reuter.)

PORTUGUESE MINISTER TO LONDON.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
LISBON, Monday.

Dr. Augusto De Castro, author and journalist, and present editor of *Diara de Noticias*, the chief Lisbon newspaper, has been appointed ortuguese Minister to London. This is his first public post. Dr. Fonseca, who has held several Cabinet appointments, and is at present Minister of Commerce, has been appointed Minister in Paris.

RISE IN STERLING IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Monday.

Sterling exchange was quoted to-day at 4.25-50, a rise of 2½ cents, which was attributed to the improved prospects of a settlement of the railway strike in Great Britain.—(Reuter)

DESTROYERS IN COLLISION.

GIBRALTAR, Monday.

The destroyers Walrus and Vimiera were in slight collision at the entrance to Huelva on Saturday. The Walrus sustained minor damage, but the Vimiera was not damaged.—(Reuter.)

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE OFFICIAL ON TRIAL.

NEW YORK, Monday.

The trial of William H. Anderson, New York State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, on a charge of forgery in the third decree was resumed to-day.

Counsel for the prosecution and the defence closed their cases, and the Court adjourned until to-morrow morning. The case is expected to go to the jury to-morrow afternoon.—Reuter.)

GERMAN EXPORT TRADE.

BRITISH MARKET.

IRISH FREE STATE AS CHANNEL.

PROBLEM OF DUTY.

Much interest was aroused in commercial circles in Dublin yesterday by the publication of a circular which purported to show how German goods could be imported into Great Britain through the Irish Free State without the payment of certain duties.

In a statement which he sent to us last night, Herr von Dehn, the German Consul-General in Dublin, says that "the contents of the circular are entirely incorrect." He makes it clear that he never authorised the use of his name in connection with the circular.

THE CIRCULAR.

"STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL."

The circular, marked "Strictly confidential," was sent to many firms in Germany. A translation of it appeared in yesterday's *Daily Mail.* It informed German traders that "since the order of November 15, 1923, stating that English Customs receipts will no longer be reimbursed by the German Government, the greater part of our export trade to England has been discontinued."

A possibility exists, the circular says, of sustaining a certain portion of exports to England by directing exports to England over Ireland. It is pointed out that "since Ireland's separation from England" goods imported into Ireland have not been liable to the 26 per cent. reparations levy, and that if goods become temporarily the property of an Irish firm the payment of duty might be avoided.

The circular indicates the duties which, it says, may be avoided—namely, 33⅓ per cent. levied under the British Key Industries Act, 33⅓ per cent. anti-dumping duties levied under certain sections of the Protection of Industries Act, and 33⅓ preference duties under the luxury tax.

BETTER THAN HOLLAND.

For these reasons, it is suggested, the redirection of German goods over Ireland would be more favourable than by way of a neutral country like Holland.

The circular points out that virtually no export firms exist in Ireland. To meet this shortcoming it was found necessary "to found a special company to deal with the export of German goods to England," and the name of a company trading in Dublin is mentioned, with the words, "Reference through the German Consul-General in Dublin."

Herr G. von Dehn. German Consul-General in Dublin, writes to us as follows regarding the circular:—

"The contents of the circular mentioned are entirely incorrect. It is not correct that the payment of duty for German goods may be avoided inasmuch as the goods are allowed to remain in bond:

"(1) Should the goods then be exported to England it is not possible to avoid the 26 per cent. reparation levy.

"(2). With regard to non-payment of 33⅓ per cent. duties levy on goods, according to the British Key Industries Act, the import of these goods from the Dominions to England is only free of duty if the goods have been consigned from and grown, produced or manufactured in the British Empire.

"(3). Regarding the non-payment of the 33⅓ per cent. duties—anti-dumping—levied on certain German goods in accordance with Parts I. and II. of the Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921, it is stated that the country where the goods are manufactured, and not the country where the goods are exported, is liable to duty, unless it is proved to the satisfaction of the Commissioners that 25 per cent. or more of the value of the goods at the time of export to the United Kingdom is attributable to process of manufacture undergone since the goods last left any country in relation to which such an order has been made.

"If the Circular refers to the Consulate-General as a reference, I beg to state that the Consulate-General has never had anything to do with the matter referred to in the article, and has never given permission to anyone to use its name as a reference."

DIFFICULTIES.

A gentleman, who has a close acquaintance with Irish industries, expressed to an *Irish Times* representative his grave doubts as to whether a trade such as that outlined could be carried out.

Admittedly, he said, the reparations tax is no longer payable here, presumably because the Free State gets nothing out of it, but it is not so clear that all the other advantages claimed could be secured. There are such things, for instance, as the Merchandise Marks Acts and the requirement that the country of origin of all goods should be correctly stated.

The whole question of re-export of imported goods, in the opinion of this authority, would have to be considered.

In his opinion, everything would depend on the attitude of the British Government towards the passage of such goods into their country.

NO IRISH CLOAK.

THE PROTECTION OF HOME INDUSTRIES.

Miss E. N. Somers, Secretary of the Dublin Industrial Development Association (Incorporated), in an interview on the subject with an *Irish Times* reporter, said that it was not a trading body, and they had no knowledge of any such scheme. In fact, if any such act as the selling of German or other foreign goods as Irish were attempted, that Association would be foremost in showing it up, and would deal very severely with it.

The primary objects of her Association were to encourage the manufacture of goods in Ireland; to answer inquiries as to the source of supply of Irish goods put by traders and foreign correspondents, and the putting them into touch with Irish manufacturers.

They had, during the past two years, opened a permanent exhibition of Irish goods in Dublin, and it had been visited extensively by all classes of people from different parts of Ireland and from foreign countries. In addition, the Association endeavoured to supply technical information of new manufacturing processes to Irish manufacturers. They also endeavoured to find new foreign markets for Irish goods.

To suggest, then, that the Association would be a party to the selling of foreign goods as Irish was ridiculous. The Association was largely a manufacturing one, but it was open to anyone interested in the production or sale of Irish goods to become a member.

Ireland, Miss Somers said, should be producing eighty per cent. of the goods which are now imported. They saw no objection to German or any other goods being imported for re-export as what they were, but they did strongly object to any foreign goods being sold as Irish.

U.S. MINE DISASTER.

THIRTY-ONE BODIES FOUND: FOUR MEN MISSING.

SHANKTON, PENN., U.S.A., Monday.

Thirty-one bodies have now been recovered from the Lancashire mine, where an explosion occurred on Saturday. Four men, including the mine foreman, are still missing and are believed to have been drowned.

Owing to the rapid rise of the water further search has been abandoned. Most of the victims were married.—(Reuter.)

EX-PRESIDENT OF PORTUGAL FOUND DEAD.

LISBON, Monday.

Senhor Teofilo Braga, former President of Portugal, was found dead at his residence to-day. He was eighty years of age.—(Reuter.)

CONVICTS MOURN.

LENIN'S GRAVE AS A RUSSIAN SHRINE.

REMARKABLE SCENES.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.
MOSCOW, Monday.

Throughout last night and to-day, notwithstanding a thermometer which registered over 60 degrees of frost, peasants from distant parts of Russia, including Siberia, arriving too late for the actual funeral, continued to file past the vault in the Red square, where Lenin's body was buried yesterday.

A party of convicts took part in yesterday's procession. After leaving a request with the janitors of the mausoleum that special care should be taken of their wreath—the inscription on which was to the effect that they asked "Father Ilitch to forgive them all frauds and robberies they had perpetrated on the poor"—they marched back to gaol, singing the "*Internationale.*"

Political prisoners, who also marched in the procession, are to-day once more under lock and key. Lenin dead, one fancies, is likely to have a more potent influence on the peasants than Lenin living. Already a tendency to canonise him as a rival to the saints of the Orthodox calendar is discernible. In many humble homes his portraits now take a place of honour among the traditional ikons.

Hawkers are doing an active traffic in gramophone discs recording his speeches, and commemorative music is being broadcast for all the wireless world to hear if it can.

Politically, Lenin's death, even in conjunction with Trotsky's illness, is not likely to have important effects. It is pointed out here that the machinery of Government has been run for the past eighteen months without Lenin's active help. Although the process of change which has taken place alike in ideals and in Governmental methods may be quickened or reduced, according as conflicting tendencies prevail, observations formed on even a fleeting visit make it plain that, whether the fact be palatable or not to the outside world, there is not the remotest likelihood of any movement from within Russia upsetting the present *régime.*

The question of the appointment of a successor to Lenin, which devolves on the Congress of the Union of Soviet Republics, now meeting in the Moscow Opera House, is arousing only mild interest. It is probable that no single successor will be appointed, but that the present arrangement of a three-member "college" will be continued.

DISSENSIONS IN RED ARMY.

WARSAW, Monday.

A telegram from Moscow reports that great unrest prevails in the ranks of the Bolshevist Red Army as a consequence of the death of Lenin, and as a result of General Budienny's recent manifesto demanding that the Soviet Committee should be purged of foreign influences.

Barracks have become the scene of political disruption, and a lack of discipline is manifest, even in the battalions which have been reckoned among the most faithful of the Soviet troops.

This state of affairs, it is added, has alarmed the central authorities, who have decided to deal with the crisis without loss of time. They are doing so in the same way in which similar crises were dealt with by the old *régime.* Inspected battalions have just been transported to the furthermost provinces of Siberia, while the garrison of Moscow has been reinforced by a detachment of troops from the western frontiers.—(Reuter.)

EGYPT'S NEW MINISTRY.

POPULAR APPOINTMENTS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
CAIRO, Monday.

The constitution of the new Zaghlul Ministry is not yet completed, but it is understood that the following appointments have been made:—

Premier and Minister of Interior—Zaghlul Pasha.
Education—Mohammed Said Pasha.
Finance—Tewfik Nessim Pasha.
Pious Foundations—Mazloum Pasha.
War—Hassan Hassib Pasha.
Agriculture—Fathalla Barakat Pasha.
Public Works—Morcos Bey Hanna.
Communications—Mustapha Bey Nahas.
Foreign Affairs—Wassef Bey Ghali.
Justice—Maitre Neguib Bey Gharabli.

NO DISCRIMINATION.

CAIRO, Monday.

In the selection of his Ministers, Zaghlul Pasha has created a precedent by including two Copts, instead of one, in his Cabinet—namely, Morcos Bey Hanna, the Minister of Public Works, and Wassef Bey Ghali, the Minister of Foreign Affairs. His recent speech may be re-called, however, in which he said he would decline to discriminate between Copts and Moslems. "We are all Egyptians," he said.

Morcos Bey Hanna, Wassef Bey Ghali, and Maitre Neguib Bey Gharabli, Minister of Justice, were all imprisoned for many months at Almaza after reprieve from sentence of death. Mustapha Bey Nahas, the Minister of Communications, and Fathalla Barakat Pasha, Minister of Agriculture, were deported to the Seychelles at the same time as the new Premier himself. It will be seen, therefore, that Zaghlul Pasha has given preference in his selection to those who suffered with him, meanwhile strengthening his Cabinet with experienced Ministers like Mohamed Said Pasha, Minister of Education; Tewfik Nessim Pasha, Minister of Finance, and Mazloum Pasha, Minister of Pious Foundations. The two first-named are ex-Premiers, while the third was President of the defunct Legislative Assembly. Hassan Hassib Pasha, Minister of War, led the Wafd Delegation at Lausanne during the Turkish peace negotiations, and was a Minister for a short time in Rushdi Pasha's Government.

OVATIONS FOR ZAGHLUL.

To-day has been a memorable one for the Premier. Large crowds again gave him an ovation on his departure from the Palace at six o'clock. Equally enthusiastic scenes were witnessed at his house, where he was received with musical honours and great cheering, and it was only with difficulty that he succeeded in reaching his study, where members of the Wafd organisation and numerous deputies were awaiting him.

The reading by Zaghlul Pasha of the list of members of the new Cabinet was received with applause. The new Ministers were warmly congratulated, especially Maitre Neguib Bey Gharabli, who seemed to be a surprise appointment. He is a Tantah lawyer.

Crowds continued to swarm round the Premier's house until both egress and ingress were impossible. In response to calls from outside, Zaghlul appeared on the balcony, amid deafening cheers, and addressed his enthusiastic supporters.—(Press Association Special Correspondent.)

BOMBAY MILL STRIKE.

BOMBAY, Monday.

The mill strike which broke out a few days ago at the Standard Mills assumed serious proportions during Saturday and Sunday, and out of a total of 85 mills in Bombay 32 have now closed, and 60,000 operatives are idle. It is expected that all the mills will cease work to-morrow, either at the instigation of the strikers or automatically. The strike was due to the non-payment of a bonus which the workers had received for the past four years.—(Reuter.)

WARREN CASE ECHO.

PARIS, Monday.

The Correctional Court of Appeal to-day reduced the sentence of three years' imprisonment against the wife of William Warren to two years, but maintained the sentence against Warren himself. Warren was sentenced, on July 9th, 1923, to five years' imprisonment, and a fine of 3,000 francs, for swindling Sir Walter Cockerline, of Hull, of large sums of money at Nice and San Sebastian.

The Court maintained Sir Walter Cockerline's right to the restitution of the sums of which he was deprived.—(Reuter.)

I have heard an expert opinion from America which asserts that it will be easy to lose in American investments quite as much as in any Capital Levy.—Mr. Walter Leaf.

TO-DAY'S LONDON PAPERS.

SPAIN AND THE DIRECTORY.

TROUBLES THICKENING.

The Times observes in a leading article:—The troubles of the Spanish Military Directory have been thickening within the last few weeks. The country preserves unbroken the calm which it has maintained from the beginning of the revolution, but there are no signs that the Government have won or are likely in the near future to win the popular support which is the necessary condition of their ultimate success. The Marquis de Estella continues to assure the public in repeated official notes that they really like him and his system very much. Experienced observers, French and English, do not share his belief. They even assert that the Directory is being criticised in every village, and that the attack upon it was never so general or so severe as it is now.

The best of the reforms carried out by the Directory were certain to arouse enmity, and its members have themselves just acknowledged that in some cases they, or their agents, have shown an excess of zeal, condemned even by sympathisers, with their general policy. They have abolished many gross abuses, and punished many gross offenders—magistrates, civil servants, officers of the Army Service Corps, and political intriguers and wire-pullers. But, as is inevitable in reforms of the kind, they have raised up a swarm of implacable enemies against themselves. All the victims, and all the victims' relatives, are the natural foes of the men who insisted that they should earn their salaries, turned them out of their sinecures, or even brought them to account for by-gone peculations. The Directory has worked heroically, and, if the decrees it has issued are nforced, it will have done great service to Spain. But will the condition be fulfilled? Will the nation lend the reformers the moral force indispensable to reform?

THE CAPITAL LEVY.

NO STEP TO BE TAKEN AT PRESENT.

There is good reason to believe that no steps whatever are to be taken in the matter of a Capital Levy during the life of the present Parliament, writes *The Times* Parliamentary Correspondent. It has been generally assumed that, in view of the result of the general election, the Capital Levy would not figure in the coming Budget, but it was thought probable that the Government would announce the setting up of an expert Committee to discuss the feasibility of a levy.

Representations have been made to the Cabinet from many quarters, however, that even the announcement of a Committee of Inquiry would probably have a most disturbing effect upon finance and trade at a moment when improvement is looked for. The Cabinet has not yet come to a decision on the point, but it is understood that no steps towards the setting up of such a Committee will be taken. This, of course, would not prevent the Labour Party from raising the issue of the Capital Levy again at the next general election

MR. MACDONALD AND FRANCE.

VIEWS IN PARIS.

Telegraphing from France last night, *The Times* Correspondent states:—There is considerable anxiety in France in regard to the probable policy of the new British Government, and the careers of the members of the Ministry are being carefully studied. Any declaration made by them is eagerly scrutinised. The interview which Mr. Macdonald gave to a French Radical newspaper, the *Quotidien*, has attracted some attention, and although there is little public comment, it is privately discussed. On the whole, it is not found encouraging, and certain allegations are found to be scandalous.

The *Journal* says that Mr. Macdonald's statements should be noted, because they bring to light the real sentiments of the new arbiter of British policy. It says that for Mr. Macdonald the essential cause of the economic crisis is the prolonged occupation of the Ruhr, which is incompatible with a state of peace, and that France is preparing a new war in arming the countries of Central Europe. France is represented as menacing Great Britain by her air fleet. This suggestion is declared to pass the limits of permissible fantasy. Has a man who governs Great Britain, and pretends to direct the world, it is asked, the right to be ignorant of the fact that the French Budget of armaments, naval and military and aerial only amount to 4½ milliard (about £47,000,000 at present rates), while the British figure for the air alone is put by the writer at one milliard seven hundred million francs (£18,300,000)?

STRIKE CRISIS.

THE RESUMED NEGOTIATIONS.

The Times Labour Correspondent writes:—The negotiations for the settlement of the railway strike were not resumed till last night. All through the day there was an expectation that the conference, which was adjourned late on Sunday, might assemble again any hour. The morning passed, and the afternoon, and no meeting between the railway managers and the representatives of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen took place.

It was not until 8.45 that Mr. J. Bromley, the Secretary of the Associated Society, arrived at the Euston Hotel, where the managers had assembled four hours before. He was followed shortly afterwards by three members of his Executive Committee. The delay was the more surprising because inquiries yesterday confirmed the hopeful impressions derived from the good progress made towards an understanding in the discussions of the night before.

The precise nature of the hitch could not be ascertained, but it was understood to relate to the difficulty of expressing the managers' assurances in regard to the consideration of "hard cases" arising out of the application of the findings in terms which would not infringe the findings themselves, but would yet be acceptable to all the parties concerned.

PREMIER'S TALK TO FRANCE.

NO RESULTS EXPECTED BY GERMAN PRESS.

BERLIN, Monday.

The reports of the interview with Mr. Ramsay Macdonald published in the *Quotidien* have exerted much interest in the German Press, which regards it as a serious warning to France, but is for the most part doubtful whether any actual results will follow.

The *Tageblatt* says that the British Prime Minister has administered an exceedingly rigorous criticism of M. Poincaré's policy, and expresses satisfaction that "on the way from Party to Government no ideal of Mr. Macdonald is dead, but reality survives." The frankness with which Mr. Macdonald has expressed himself, continues the newspaper, differs materially from that diplomacy which asserted that its ideals must be concealed, but only because it had none.

These declarations of the British Prime Minister (says the *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung*) have, doubtless, more political value than his fine speeches in 1911, but the words of British statesmen have in Europe to-day at most but little current value, and a suspicious world asks very rightly whether Mr. Macdonald will follow them with just as few acts as his predecessors.

The *Tages Zeitung* says that hardly anyone has spoken so openly of the possibilities of war in Europe as "this pacifist." The newspaper is sceptical of any good coming from the League of Nations, and considers that the policy of Great Britain and her supporters in this direction is likely to encounter the greatest obstacles.

The *Boersen Zeitung* refuses to believe that M. Poincaré will agree to the British proposals on any essential point.—(Reuter.)

THREE BANKS RAIDED.

ESCAPE OF ARMED ROBBERS.

SHOTS FIRED.

OFFICIAL AND CIVIC GUARD WOUNDED.

Bank raiders were busy yesterday. Three men, who were armed, robbed two banks in Cappoquin, County Waterford, and escaped with a total sum of £650.

Two desperadoes tried to rob the office of the National Bank in Baltinglass, County Wicklow. They failed to get any money, and before making their escape fired their revolvers, wounding the manager of the bank, Mr. Wolfe, and a member of the Civic Guard named O'Halloran.

SHOTS IN A PUBLIC OFFICE.

TWO DARING RAIDERS.

Soon after two o'clock yesterday two men, one of whom carried a bag, walked into the National Bank at Baltinglass, and closed the door. Going to the counter, they shouted "Hands up" to the staff.

At the time Mr. Wolfe was engaged with a customer in the boardroom. Hearing a noise in the office he opened the door, and one of the raiders immediately called upon him to throw up his hands.

Mr. Wolfe had a small revolver in his pocket, but before he could draw it the man fired at him, wounding him. He fell to the floor, but it was afterwards ascertained that his injury was not serious.

Having procured the keys of the safe, one of the robbers tried to open it, but did not succeed.

Civic Guard O'Halloran, who was on duty in the street outside, hearing the shot, blew his whistle, and Mrs. Wolfe, the wife of the manager, called for assistance. The policeman then went towards the bank, carrying a revolver, which had been handed to him by a local shopkeeper

The raiders, becoming alarmed at the cries in the street, ran from the bank. O'Halloran called upon them to halt, and, when they refused, he tried to fire the revolver, but there was no cartridge in the breach. Before he could adjust it the escaping robbers fired at him at close range, and he fell wounded in the abdomen.

In their flight from the bank the raiders left behind the bag in which they intended to carry off the money.

They ran along the street to where a taxi-cab was waiting, and drove away in the direction of Dublin.

Meanwhile the wounded constable was carried into a house, where he was attended by Doctors Cruise and Kenna, and in the evening was taken in an ambulance to the military hospital at the Curragh. Here it was found that the intestines had been perforated in seven places. The constable, however, is a robust man, and the hospital doctors think that he may recover.

HOW THE CAB WAS PROCURED.

Inquiries made by an *Irish Times* representative show that at about noon yesterday the L.S.E. Motor Company in Dublin received a telephone call from a man who gave his name as "Doyle," asking them to send a taxi-cab to a hotel on Ormond quay. The cab was sent out soon afterwards, and when the driver arrived at the hotel he saw two men in trench coats waiting for him on the footway.

They directed him to drive to Baltinglass and jumped into the car, one of them carrying a bag. The journey to Baltinglass was uneventful, and on arriving at the outskirts of the village one of the men told the driver to pull up at the bank. He did so, and they went in, stating that they wanted to make a telephone call. After a brief absence they returned, entered the taxi-cab, and drove as far as the post-office. Here they told the driver to wait for them, and they went away in the direction of the bank.

While the men were absent the driver went into a publichouse for refreshments. He remained there for about ten minutes, and when he came out he found the two men at the car, one of them attempting to start the engine.

Acting on their instructions he drove back towards Dublin.

At Terenure, on the outskirts of the city, they left the car, refused to pay their fare, and walked away. The driver reported the occurrence to the police on his arrival in Dublin.

Soon after the men had left Baltinglass soldiers arrived and began a search for them, but they were not found. Policemen also searched different areas of Dublin last night, but so far the raiders have succeeded in eluding them.

It is learned that Mr. Wolfe's injury consists of a flesh wound and is not dangerous.

COUNTY WATERFORD BANKS ROBBED.

The offices of the Munster and Leinster Bank and of the National Bank in the town of Cappoquin, County Waterford, were robbed yesterday by armed men. It is said that a sum of £500 was taken from the Munster and Leinster Bank and £150 from the National Bank.

The robbers were three in number, and they drove away after the robberies in a Ford motor car in the direction of Tipperary.

It is stated that Mr. Bolster, the manager of the Munster and Leinster Bank, was writing a letter when the men arrived, and, producing revolvers, demanded all the money in the office. Mr. Bolster and the teller, Mr. MacIlinney, were ordered not to stir.

The raiders then coolly walked to the National Bank. When they entered, Mr. Stephenson, the teller, was alone, the sub-manager, Mr. Fogarty, being at the post office. As the three men rushed in one of them dropped his revolver. People who were doing business in the office were ordered to face the wall and not to leave for half an hour.

When the raiders left, Mr. Stephenson ran out to call the Civic Guard, and a shot was fired at him, but he escaped injury.

Two of the robbers wore blue knap top-coats and the third had a fawn overcoat, on which there were oil stains.

The motor car in which they drove away was afterwards found abandoned on the mountain side near Newcastle. The engine was hot when troops from Clonmel came up with the car.

Up to a late hour yesterday evening the robbers had not been arrested.

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WHAT FASCISM HAS ACHIEVED.

MUSSOLINI CONDEMNS "MUSSOLINI-ISM."

ROME, Monday.

The Grand Assembly of the Fascist Party met this evening in the Palazzo di Venezia. Seven Ministers, ten Under Secretaries, twenty-two Senators and fifty Deputies were present, as well as the Presidents of the local deputations and councils, mayors, newspaper directors and representatives of corporations, co-operative councils and the National Militia.

Signor Mussolini said that he would make no other speech during the electoral campaign. The fight beginning this evening was exclusively political, and ought in consequence to be entered upon in all earnestness. He was unable to accept the antithesis that some people wished to create between Fascism and Mussolini-ism. Mussolini-ism in reality appeared to be for them a way of approach, or a passport, to enable them, in the first place, to fight Fascism, and in the second place to fight Mussolini himself.

As a person endowed with political experience, he distrusted these Mussolinians; the most convinced Anti-Mussolinian was Mussolini himself.

The Premier denied the statement that he was a good dictator, but was surrounded by bad councillors by whose evil influence he was swayed, and said that it had been shown that he was an individual absolutely uninfluenced by any sort of pressure.

LIBERTIES MAINTAINED WHILE REFORMS EFFECTD.

Signor Mussolini then emphasised the fact that the Fascist revolution had not been responsible for any human sacrifices, and had not promulgated any exceptional laws. None of the liberties assured to the citizens by the Constitution had been suppressed, but naturally the Government had made use of its powers to prevent license, which Fascism would never tolerate.

The Government, said the Premier, had lost no time reforming the military institutions and providing for disabled soldiers. It had also reorganised the civil administration, the schools, the financial and judicial systems, the public services and national economy. The results of these immense reforms constituted a grandiose revolution, and would be realised shortly in their effect on Italian life.

Signor Mussolini said that his party had shown once more by its actions that it knew how to separate the action and responsibility of the party from the action and responsibility of the Government. Fascism and the Government were one, but their duties, and consequently their responsibilities, were different.

The Premier then went on to explain his electoral policy, and said that Fascism would decisively reject any proposal for an electoral and political alliance with subversive elements. At the same time, Fascism was ready to include in the electoral list all men of any or no party who, from their past record, might be in a position to render useful service to the nation.—(Reuter.)

Signor Mussolini, in conclusion, said the advent to power of the Labour Party in Great Britain would not cause any upheaval in the world nor even in the British Empire. Mr. Ramsay Macdonald would not effect the triumph of Socialism. He would not move over to the Left. His warning to the Indian rebels was of extraordinary significance.—(Reuter.)

BRAINS IN THE ARMY.

BETTER EDUCATED CADETS WANTED.

The report of Lord Haldane's Committee on the system of entering officers in combatant branches of the Army, and to consider whether greater economy or efficiency might be obtained by later entry and changes in the character of instruction, was issued last night.

The Committee's inquiries resulted in the impression being conveyed that public belief was that the profession was not one calling for such high qualities as the sister profession of the Navy, and it was consequently necessary to provide adequate opportunities for an improved type of entrant, rather than to reduce standards. The Committee's first aim, therefore, was to ensure that the supply should be drawn from more available sources. Primary considerations in this connection were the attraction of suitably educated candidates before entry, and, while attracting first class brains, of securing certain qualities of character, of which capacity for leadership was the most obvious example.

The Committee dissents from the suggestion that educational advantages might be derived from the amalgamating for instruction of Woolwich and Sandhurst, pointing out the widely differing standards and courses, respectively, required, and being of the opinion that past endeavours to turn out the completely trained officer, technically speaking, in the course of time arrested intellectual development, and reduced the output of officers fit to rise to highest positions.

The Committee, accepting the conception of making the Army career worthy of the best intellectual material, make a series of recommendations accordingly. These include—Requirement that all candidates for cadet colleges should possess certificates of Oxford and Cambridge Joint Board, or its approved equivalent; the reconstruction of entrance examinations; the provision of scholarships, taking the form of pay increments for cadets possessing intellectual pre-eminence, and for those judged to be the best regimental officers; making University scholarships of county councils and schools tenable also at military colleges, where courses should be revised and reduced in length to 18 months; raising the age of entry to cadet colleges to 18; and the application of the University nomination system to the Dominions, including Ireland.

"IRISH PLACE NAMES."

"Irish Place Names" was the subject of a paper contributed by Mr. J. J. Doyle at a meeting of the National Literary Society in Dublin last night. Most Irish places, said Mr. Doyle, were called after persons. It was interesting to note the frequency with which "Bally" recurred as a component in names of towns and townlands. As a rule, it was easy to account for these names, but occasionally one would come across a name like Ballymac-Cromwell, which was something of a puzzle. Miss Louise Kenny presided at the meeting.

BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

At the annual meeting of the Bibliographical Society of Ireland, which was held in Dublin last night, the President, Mr. G. W. Panter, announced that unless the financial position of the society improved it would pass out of existence. Funds for the publication of the society's papers were urgently required, and, to that end, either the subscription must be raised, new members must be obtained, or a publication fund must be established.

A recommendation to adopt the first of these courses was approved by the society.

Mr. J. de W. Hinch read an interesting paper on "Some Charts of the Port of Dublin about 1800."

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Dean of Connor, St. Thomas's Parsonage, Belfast, announces that an anonymous donor has offered £50 a year for three years towards the support of a student-evangelist under the Bishop of Saskatchewan. Candidates are expected to possess education up to the matriculation standard in Trinity College, Dublin.

The Church Missionary Society summer school will be held at Newcastle, Co. Down, from June 13 to 20.

The Rev. J. S. Taylor will be instituted to the incumbency of Lisburn Cathedral Parish on Friday next at 8 p.m. in the Cathedral.

The post of organist for the Church of the Female Orphan House, North Circular road, Dublin, is vacant.

The curacy of the Parish of Armagh is vacant.

I believe that, on the whole, our industrial civilisation is a bad thing.—The Rev. R. J. Campbell.

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GERMANS IN SOUTH-WEST AFRICA.

OFFERED STATUS AS BRITISH SUBJECTS.

HISTORY OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

CAPE TOWN, Monday.

The documents relating to the settlement which has been reached between the Union Government and the German Delegation from South-West Africa with reference to the naturalisation *status* of ex-German subjects in mandated territories, and also regarding the franchise, have been published.

The earlier documents comprise a memorandum and the correspondence between General Smuts and the German Government's representatives in London on October 23 last. The remainder of the documents relate to the recent meeting at Cape Town on January 19 between General Smuts and a deputation of Germans from South-West Africa.

General Smuts, addressing the deputation, outlined the position, pointing out that he had consulted both the German Government and the League of Nations. He referred to the resolution of the Council of the League of Nations of April 23, which stated that there was no objection to the Union's proposal to confer British nationality on the inhabitants of South-West Africa, while giving them the right of declining without prejudice.

General Smuts submitted this memorandum and correspondence, and pointed out that the memorandum was not subject to amendment and did not need ratification, and that, therefore, the responsibility rested with the German Government. In a spirit of good-will and co-operation, General Smuts continued, he asked the deputation to join the German Government in advising their fellow-German citizens in South-West Africa to adopt the course proposed. He also invited a discussion of their interests.

The deputation, in a letter of January 23, affirmed that the general wish of the population was that South West Africa should not be annexed as a fifth province of the Union, but should be a separate State, and that a Government should be granted it with the right of its own Budget and the election of its own Legislative Council. The deputation recognised, however, that it was faced with a *fait accompli*. While not disguising their desire to obtain a great deal more than was offered under the agreement, the deputation wished to give due regard to the new situation, and expressed its thanks for the assurance that Germans declining to accept automatic naturalisation would not experience any difficulty in their social life, and would be able to carry on their avocations unhampered.

The deputation also expressed its appreciation of the concession that at least six months would be allowed as the period for consideration, as also of the number of undertakings given by General Smuts, *inter alia*, that the Mandatory provisions would be carried out as far as possible, and that the German military service would not be used outside the country.

In conclusion, the deputation expressed the opinion that "the introduction of automatic Union naturalisation would not generally meet with serious opposition on the part of Germans in South West Africa," and trusted that the beneficial co-operation of all sections on the basis of equal rights and equal responsibilities would tend towards the future progress of the country.—(Reuter.)

MOTOR INDUSTRY.

PRESERVING BRITAIN'S SUPREMACY.

Speaking at the Scottish Motor Exhibition dinner in Glasgow last night, Mr. Hamilton Hobson, President of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, said that it was, perhaps, premature to prophesy, but there were signs that there was every chance today that a measure of common agreement might be found regarding the proposed modification of the existing method of the basis of motor taxation.

This might be placed before the Labour Government with the authority of every single interest representing private vehicles and commercial and public services of every description. He would ask them to bear in mind the necessity for supporting the manufacturers of internal combustion engines. They must do all they could to maintain British supremacy. They must not let other nations over-ride them if they would maintain their position, and not allow their young brains to be taken away.

LIFE-SAVING AT SEA.

HOW IRISHMEN MAINTAINED THE BEST TRADITIONS.

By way of celebrating the centenary of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, Sir Godfrey Baring, the Chairman of the Institution, was the principal guest last night at a dinner at the Authors Club, Whitehall Court.

Mr. G. F. Shee presided, and proposed the health of the guest of the evening. Sir Godfrey, responding, told the history of the Institution. In 1814, Sir William Hilary, who had fought with distinction in the Peninsular wars, went to Douglas, Isle of Man, to spend a very vigorous evening of his days. In those days many liners were lost on the coasts, and Sir William, in conjunction with a carpenter, devised a sort of lifeboat. They trained a crew, and in the next fifteen or twenty years saved over 300 lives.

Sir Godfrey mentioned that all through the recent troubles in Ireland hardly a pennyworth of damage had been done to any property of the Institution, and they found that their crews were often composed of men who were fighting for the Irish Free State and more who were fighting against it. In one case members of a crew who were fighting against one another in the day joined forces to launch a lifeboat in the afternoon, and resumed fighting again in the evening.

OLYMPIC GAMES.

CANADIANS' GREAT ICE HOCKEY DISPLAY.

CHAMONIX, Monday.

At the Olympic Winter Sports meeting this morning the ice hockey competition was opened with a match between Sweden and Switzerland. Early in the game Sweden and gistered their first goal, and then, as the result of excellent passing, added two others with shots at short range before the end of the first period was reached. In the second stage Sweden by good combined play added another three points to their lead.

Sweden clearly dominated the game in the final period, their passing being marked by great accuracy. Switzerland, on the other hand, relied too much on individual efforts. Sweden won by 9 goals to nil.

In the second match the United States beat Belgium by 10 goals to nil. The Americans registered all their goals in the first period, when they overwhelmed the Belgians, and although the latter played up better in the second and third periods, they could not pierce the American defence.

In the third match Canada beat Czecho-Slovakia by 30 goals to nil. The match was a very one-sided affair, the Canadians simply playing with their opponents.

Their display created a great impression, and marked them out as being a very formidable combination. Their passes were perfectly timed and placed, and their team work was excellent. Watson, Monroe, Smith and MacLaffery, who were particularly prominent, between them accounted for most of the goals.

The Military Ski-ing contest and the Ice Hockey match between Great Britain and France are included in the programme for tomorrow.—(Press Association Foreign Special.)

FATHER AND SON DIE ON SUCCESSIVE DAYS.

In our obituary notices on Page 1 are recorded the deaths of Mr. John MacNicol at 8 Eglinton road, Dublin, last Friday, and of his only son, Major Robert Henstone MacNicol, R.A.M.C., at Queen Alexandra's Military Hospital, Millbank, London, S.W., on the following day.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Prince of Wales was present at the Australian Day Luncheon at the Hotel Cecil, London, yesterday.

Alderman William Lee, who was for five years in succession Mayor of Coventry, died yesterday in his eighty-second year.

In a polo match at Cannes, yesterday, in the competition for the Cup presented by Prince L. Radziwill, Major P. Magor, Senor J. De Parada, and Messrs. W. and B. Baldwin beat Colonel P. K. Wise, Senor Pena, Senor Consino, and the Hon. D. L. Melville by seven goals to five. The final will be played on Wednesday.—(Reuter.)

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER IN PARIS. — Mr. Bruce, Prime Minister of Australia, laid a wreath on the tomb of France's Unknown Soldier yesterday afternoon while passing through Paris. In the evening he left for Cannes, whence he will proceed to Gallipoli.—(Reuter.)

ALLEGED DEFAMATORY LIBELS. — The trial commenced at Norfolk Assizes yesterday of Dorothy Myrtle Thurburn, 25, on the charge of publishing defamatory libels concerning several Sheringham residents. The accused pleaded not guilty, and it was represented on her behalf that she herself had received anonymous letters, some since her arrest. The trial was adjourned.

PROFESSOR'S DEATH.—A verdict of death from natural causes was returned at the resumed inquest, in Folkestone yesterday, on Professor Robert Richard Reginald Thompson, 39, who was found dead in his room on Thursday evening. The deceased was a mining engineer, and had spent many years abroad, particularly in India and Nigeria, where he contracted malaria, recurrent attacks of which, in violent form, he frequently had. Mrs. Kate Smith, of Bouverie Square, Folkestone, said that the deceased on Tuesday rented an apartment from her for a few days. He then looked very ill, but refused to have a doctor. Medical evidence showed that death was due to convulsions set up by kidney disease.

CATTLE DISEASE WANING.

DUNDEE LANDING PLACE TO BE RE-OPENED.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction have been officially informed that the British Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries have made an Order, operating on the 1st proximo, contracting the area subject to the Forfarshire (Foot and Mouth Disease) Order of 1924.

An effect of the Order will be the re-opening of the landing place at Dundee for landing animals under usual conditions.

ANOTHER MOVEMENT ORDER.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction have been officially informed that the local authorities of the Borough of Lincoln and City of Norwich have made regulations prohibiting the movement of animals into their districts except on licence to slaughter-houses for slaughter within 96 hours. The County of Northumberland have also made regulations prohibiting the movement into the north-western division of their district of animals which, within 28 days, have been in the north-eastern division of Northumberland, or in any infected area in Great Britain.

STRAW HATS TO BE ADMITTED INTO IRELAND.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction have had under consideration the question of modifying their special restrictions in connection with the landing of hay and straw from Great Britain in the Free State. They consider that, whilst precautionary measures against the extension of the disease to this country must be effectively maintained, it is no longer necessary to control the importation of straw hats or other commodities which are now being admitted on licence.

They have, therefore, made an Order, the effect of which will be that on and after the 4th February any articles of millinery or other articles constructed wholly or partly of braided, interwoven, or plaited straw can be landed in the Free State without a licence from them. It should be noted, however, that this permissive Order does not apply to straw envelopes, and that consequently the landing of manufactured straw in use, or intended for use, as the packing or for the protection of bottles continues to be prohibited.

NEW LONDON PLAY.

"THE DAREDEVIL," AT THE STRAND THEATRE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Monday.

Mr. Austen Melford, of "The Co-optimists," is the author of the new three-act farce presented at the Strand Theatre tonight. The Daredevil is Bertram Bright, a most amusing jackass, who comes to London, accompanied by his fond, but watchful, mother, in order to get local colour for a novel he intends to write about private asylums. He is taken to a respectable Kensington boarding house, and told that all the inmates are lunatics. This is the situation upon which the whole of the farce revolves, and the humour that it provides is fairly obvious.

Mr. A. W. Baskcombe makes the very most of the amusing lines and situations that occur, but one gets a little tired of the monotony of his delivery. Clever Miss Jean Cadell has another part in which she excels, and Miss Madge Stuart (the film artist) looks very pretty and wears some charming frocks as the heroine. Miss Margaret Scudamore and Miss Helen Ferrers were excellent as the mother and aunt; while Mr. Ivan Berlyn, Mr. Denis Cowles, Mr. Robert Cunningham and Mr. J. J. Bartlett filled their parts adequately.

THEFT OF MOTOR CYCLE.

CHARGE AGAINST BUILDING CONTRACTORS' MANAGER.

At the Southern Police Court, Dublin, yesterday, Arthur Fiddling, residing at the Ivanhoe Hotel and stated to be manager to Messrs. Wylde, building contractors, in charge of the Dublin Corporation housing scheme at Fairbrothers' Fields, was returned for trial in £100 bail on the charge of stealing a Norton motor cycle and sidecar, valued at £75, from outside 24 Harcourt street on Friday night last.

The motor cycle and sidecar belonged to Mr. Hughes, Sandford road, Ranelagh, who found the accused with the machine in Grafton street.

Mr. E. H. Burne, who defended, said that Fiddling, who was an expert motor engineer, saw a man in trouble with this machine. He volunteered to help, and was in the act of putting the machine in order when the man he took to be the owner disappeared, and Mr. Hughes with a friend came on the scene.

ANONYMOUS MISSIVES.

SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

At Gloucester Assizes yesterday, Diana Langham, of Coleford, who pleaded guilty of sending through the post anonymous postcards and postal packets of an offensive nature, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the second division.

It was stated for the prosecution that a bank official at Coleford received no fewer than thirty-two communications. Various other persons were also recipients of the missives.

For the defence it was pleaded that the accused bore an unblemished character. The only explanation to be given for the offence was, that she was at the time in a nervous condition and suffering from mental aberration.

In passing sentence, Mr. Justice Rowlatt said that the conduct of the accused was a form of persecution for which there was no excuse whatever, because there was no temptation to it. It was pure wickedness, and very cruel wickedness. The communications sent were full of the most horrible, vulgar coarseness, and must have caused the greatest distress to the people to whom they were addressed.

F.W. ASSISTANTS (Limited Competition). (Irish Free State Civil Service.)
Nov., 1923. Successful from SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin:—Misses Carden, Ford, Breslin, Constantine, Burca, Gilhooly, O'Loan, Nolan, O'Sullivan, Kelly, Carberry, Cregg, Murphy, Healy, Moran, Walsh, Coleman.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

SOUTH DUBLIN RATEPAYERS.—At the fortnightly meeting of the South County Dublin Ratepayers' and Development Association several applications for membership were received and passed. Correspondence was read from local authorities with reference to the resolutions passed at recent public meetings in favour of the proposed new borough and the formation of a Borough Promotion Committee. A committee was appointed to interview the Minister for Local Government to-morrow with reference to the matter.

SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES.—The annual general meeting of the Royal Society of Antiquaries in Ireland will be held at 63 Merrion square, Dublin, at 8 o'clock this evening. A paper on "The origin and development of heads of bills in the Irish Parliament" will be read by Mary Hayden. Visitors will be admitted on the introduction of a member.

CHURCH OF IRELAND Y.M.C.A.—The report submitted to the annual meeting of the Church of Ireland Young Men's Christian Association last Friday stated that steady progress had been made during the past year, especially in the Badminton Club. Votes of thanks were passed to Messrs. Ormsby and Rhodes for auditing the accounts; the hon. secretaries; Canon Forrester for presiding at the Bible Class; and Mr. William Ireland for acting as Chairman of the Literary and Debating Society.

CLONTARF CHURCH ASSOCIATION.—Canon H. J. Lawlor, Precentor of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, will deliver a lecture on "Irish Illustrated Manuscripts" in the Town Hall Buildings, Clontarf, this evening at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the Clontarf Church Association. Dr. Lawlor is an authority on this subject. The lecture will be accompanied by lantern views.

CONNAUGHT.

LATE LIEUTENANT NEVIN.—The remains of the late Lieutenant Timothy Nevin, Free State Air Force, who was killed in a flying accident at Baldonnell last Thursday, were interred at Bullaun, Loughrea, County Galway, with military honours on Saturday.

LEINSTER.

CURRAGH STABLE EMPLOYES' DEMANDS.—Curragh Trainers' Association announcement of its intention to reduce the wages of the Curragh stable workers from 47s. 6d. to 37s. 6d. a week, and the winning fees from £3 to £2, as from February 2nd, was considered at a meeting of the Curragh Stable Workers' Section of the Irish Transport Workers' Union at Kildare on Friday. It was unanimously decided to reject the proposals, and also to demand that improvements should be made in the sleeping accommodation of the employés, and that the matter of living indoor or outdoor should be made optional at each stable. It was further agreed that a claim should be made that each man should be asked to take charge of only two horses, that the number of apprentices should be fixed, and that horses should not be exercised on Sundays. Two hundred employés are affected.

MASKED HIGHWAYMAN.—Shots were fired at a motor car, in which Messrs. Terence Smith and Mathews were travelling from Crossakiel, Kells, to Mullagh Fair, on Friday. A masked man called on the driver to pull up, but he did not do so. A bullet pierced the windscreen and others struck the back of the car, but nobody was hurt. Later, telephone wires near where the outrage occurred were found to have been cut, and it is believed that the intention was to stop a motor car which was expected to pass that way with money for the Mullagh Bank.

LAND VALUES IN KING'S COUNTY.—The tenants' interest in a holding of five acres of arable land and seven acres of moorland, situated in the Parish of Lusmagh, near Banagher, King's County, has been sold for £700. Another holding of four acres in the same district realised £200. The prices are considered very high locally.

MUNSTER.

OUTDOOR RELIEF ANOMALY.—The relieving officer reported to the Midleton (Co. Cork) Guardians on Saturday last that he did not consider that the case of a woman who had been granted 5s. a week outdoor relief for a month, although her sons earned wages totalling £3 5s. a week, was a deserving one. The Board had granted the application because it was understood that the applicant was not receiving all that her sons earned. The members, it was explained, had been influenced by the fact that she had a daughter who was delicate and blind, and that the 5s. was in respect of this invalid. The Board decided to rescind the motion granting the relief, and a member intimated that he would institute inquiries into the regulations relative to pensions for the blind.

DONKEY KICKED AND BEATEN.—John Hickey, Commons road, Cork, was fined 50s. in Cork on Friday last for cruelty to a donkey by kicking and beating it. An inspector of the Cork Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals said that he saw the ill-treatment. The defendant gave him a false name and address. Hickey denied that he was the man. A policeman, who was called by the inspector when the offence was committed, also identified the defendant, and the magistrate said that he was satisfied that Hickey was the man.

HAY-BURNING.—Early yesterday morning a rick of fifty tons of hay belonging to a farmer named Mackey, at Capparoe, three miles from Nenagh, was destroyed by fire. The fire is believed to have been malicious.

MILL OPERATIONS CURTAILED.—Messrs. T. Hallinan's flour mills, at Avoncore, Midleton, Co. Cork, were partially closed on Saturday afternoon last owing to an overstock of flour milling stuffs. Fifty men have been thrown out of employment.

TEACHER'S WATCH STOLEN.—Timothy Cleary, aged 14, was, at Cloughjordan, Co. Tipperary, sent to a reformatory for three years for stealing a watch, valued at £5, from the village schoolmaster, Mr. D. Costello.

ULSTER.

MONAGHAN COUNTY HOME.—County Monaghan Board of Health considered, at a meeting yesterday, the specification and estimate for alterations and additions to Castleblayney Workhouse, which is to be converted into the County Home. The estimate was adopted, less items regarding a lift, alterations to a building adjoining, to be used as the Registrar's residence, and proposed outlay on a Protestant church, amounting in all to £1,100. The Secretary's estimate for provision, amounting to £15,780, was adopted, together with an addition of £634 to meet the first instalment of the proposed loan for the repairs.

IMPROVED PRICES FOR FLAX.—There was a fair supply of flax in Monaghan market yesterday, says our Correspondent. The demand was good, and prices were better than at previous markets this year; 17s. a stone, the highest price this season, was paid for one exceptionally good lot, while the bulk was sold at from 12s. to 16s.

Mayo Agricultural Committee has voted a sum of £25 to the Committee formed in Galway, for the preservation of the Connemara breed of ponies.

Hugh Boland, while exercising a horse in the Holywood road, Belfast, yesterday morning, was thrown and died later from his injuries.

Mr. J. H. Kelly has been appointed manager of the Borrisokane, Co. Tipperary, branch of the National Bank, in succession to the late Mr. E. Enright.

Constable Henry Gordon, Brown square, has been elected to represent the constables of the Belfast police force on the Representative Body, provided under the Police Act of 1922.

At a meeting of Limerick Harbour Board yesterday, it was decided to retain the services of Sir John Griffith to report and advise on the proposal to extend the docks.

The report of the North Tipperary County Council Insurance Society states that £2,174 18s. 1d. was paid in benefits during the last year. The expenditure was £700 less, while the income was £2,400.

NOTHING TO FEAR.

PRESBYTERIANS IN THE FREE STATE.

"Presbyterianism in the Free State" was the subject of an address given last evening in the Presbyterian Association House, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, by Mr. Serjeant Hanna, K.C., President of the Association. The Rev. Dr. Denham Osborne presided.

Serjeant Hanna said that the present was a very fitting time for those Presbyterians who had elected to stay in the Irish Free State to survey their position and prospects. They had chosen to remain mainly because they knew they had nothing to fear, and now they were determined to carry on as before—as law-abiding, peaceful citizens, ready to pull in the boat to their full weight, although they were comparatively few in numbers.

They had a heritage to protect, a heritage of which they could never be deprived—namely, the right to liberty of conscience, freedom to worship according to their own doctrines, and to govern their Church by their own democratic methods, independent of the State. These principles would never now be impeached.

On the establishment of the separate areas of Northern Ireland and the Irish Free State, no thought ever entered the minds of any Presbyterians in Ireland to partition the Church. They were one and undivided, and he hoped soon to see a striking proof of their continued unity in the holding of the meeting of the General Assembly in their midst in Dublin. On that occasion he knew all Dublin would give their distinguished clerical and lay colleagues from the North a welcome such as they never anticipated.

In the Irish Free State they had between 39,000 and 40,000 Presbyterians. He had arrived at this estimate from the Assembly statistics of last year. The value of the Church property in the Free State was £538,841, and the members of the Church contributed in 1923, for Church purposes, £46,573. This was a wonderfully good record when it was remembered that they were not a wealthy community.

Their relations with their fellow-countrymen had been continually friendly. In the recent political strife they had taken no part, but they endeavoured to help in the reawakening of a public spirit opposed to lawlessness and destruction. They had no caucus or political side to their Association, he was glad to say, and they were not exploited for any cause.

Concluding, he said that they all believed in the future of the Free State, which would make good and prosper, perhaps when others were in deep waters. They believed that in carrying on their own traditions they could best help the country they all loved.

Mr. Charles Eason, in congratulating the President on his address, said that Presbyterians should heartily assist in solving the problems that faced the country in regard to housing and such matters. They were now part of the Irish nation, and could help in everything that meant the good of the country.

Mr. Sydney Orr said that while he could not blame the people of the six counties for refusing to come into the Free State, he agreed that the Free State Government were making an honest attempt to give every security and fair play to everyone in the Free State, irrespective of religion.

A cordial vote of thanks to Serjeant Hanna for his address brought the proceedings to a close.

NORTHERN HIGH COURT.

A COUNTY TYRONE SALE.

In the Northern Court of Appeal yesterday, the right of a prior mortgagee to sell a farm at Ardain, Co. Tyrone, was raised on a case stated before Lord Justice Moore and Lord Justice Andrews. William Duff was the plaintiff and respondent, and the Tyrone Loan Company, Ltd., the appellants.

The case came before Mr. Justice Brown, sitting as Judge of Assize, at Omagh in July, 1923, upon an appeal by the Tyrone Loan Company, Ltd., from an order of the County Court Judge, in an equity suit, setting aside the sale of a farm in Ardain, which was sold at Moneymore, Londonderry, on the 21st April, 1923, at the instance of the Tyrone Loan Company, to Peter Campbell, of Sessia, Co. Tyrone, for £700. The Judge held in favour of the Tyrone Loan Company and reversed the order of the County Court Judge. The case now came before their Lordships on a case stated by way of appeal.

Judgment was reserved.

BUSINESS FIRMS
Requiring Women Typists or Clerks should call up 2078 (ROSSE COLLEGE, Stephen's Green). 298 Certificates in Shorthand, Typewriting, etc., gained by pupils since January, 1922.
—(Advt.)

OBITUARY.

CAPTAIN THE HON. HENRY BERESFORD.

The death occurred on Sunday at his residence near Paris of Captain the Hon. Henry Beresford, younger brother of Lord Decies, at the age of 48.

He was well known as the man who went as a mascot on the decoy ship in the attack at Zeebrugge, as he appeared to possess a charmed life. He first saw service in the Matabele war and went through the Boer war and also took part in the great war, taking his share of the hard fighting. He came through all the operations without a wound.

PROFESSOR HARTOG.

News reached Cork yesterday of the death at Meudon, near Paris, of Professor Marcus Hartog. He was a graduate of Trinity College, Cambridge, and a Doctor of Science of London University and the Royal University of Ireland. For some time he was Assistant to the Director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Ceylon.

In 1887 Dr. Hartog was appointed Demonstrator, and later Lecturer in Natural History at Owens's College, Manchester. He became Professor of Natural History at Queen's College, Cork, in 1882, and in 1909 was appointed Professor of Zoology in the same institution. He held those posts until his resignation in 1921.

The late professor published numerous memoirs in zoology, botany, and general biological science. He collaborated with Miss Mary Hayden in writing "A Study of Irish Dialect of English."

REV. CANON MURPHY, P.P.

The death is announced of the Very Rev. Canon Patrick Murphy, parish priest of Moyne, Thurles.

The late Canon Murphy, who was 68 years of age, had been ill for several months. He was ordained at Maynooth in 1880, and acted as curate successively in Killenaule, Templemore, and Tipperary. He was appointed parish priest of Moyne in 1909, and was active in his ministration until a few months ago. He was a keen advocate of co-operation and was a staunch friend of the farmers.

THE REV. JOHN T. REA.

The death took place at Whitehead, County Antrim, on Sunday last, of the Rev. John T. Rea, aged 74, who for many years was Pastor of the Chester avenue Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Rea was trained in the McCrea-Magee College, Londonderry, and was licensed by the Presbytery of Magherafelt. He was ordained in 1878 to the Pastorate of Seaforde, County Down, and in the following year went to Middletown, Co. Armagh. Two years later he was appointed to Moy, Co. Tyrone, where he worked for twenty-four years. He then retired, and lived in Moy for some years. He moved to Belfast, and then to Whitehead, where he again took up ministerial duties. A year ago he had a serious illness, and, on medical advice, retired, but continued to take an interest in the church. He took the Service there on the Sunday before last Christmas.

Mr. Rea had an intimate knowledge of European countries, and was a close student of the language and literature of France. He resided for a time in Switzerland and in France. While he resided in Paris he took a keen interest in a Protestant mission there, and conducted Services in the French capital.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

The attention of our readers is drawn to the announcement by the Civil Service Commission in our advertising columns of an open competitive examination for important posts in the Customs and Excise service. It is the first open competitive examination for men that has been held for several years. The standard of the examination is suited to University students. The posts offer valuable promotion in the future to men of the University type. A number of posts are reserved for Army candidates who qualify. Special privileges are offered to Army and ex-Army candidates as well as to established Civil Servants in the matter of age.

The examination will commence on the 24th March next, and the latest date for receiving applications will be the 23rd day of February. For particulars as to regulations and syllabus readers are referred to An Runaidhe, Coimisium un Stat-Sheirbhis, College of Science, Dublin.

The Viceroy of India attended the Agra College centenary celebrations on Saturday, and opened new buildings.

OIL SCANDAL.

LEASES MAY BE CANCELLED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Monday.

President Coolidge, by his midnight decision to appoint counsel to take the Teapot Dome Oil scandal into the Criminal and Civil Courts, out of politics and out of the Government department involved, has piqued the democratic leaders of the Senate, who declare that the President has stolen their thunder.

Senator Walsh asserts that the President's decision followed a leakage of the intention of members of the Senate Investigating Committee to demand, through the Senate, by resolution, that President Coolidge should relieve the United States Attorney-General, Mr. Daugherty, of his duties.

The White House, however, contends that President Coolidge had considered taking action for several days.

The democratic leaders state their belief that the proposal of supplanting the Attorney-General amounts to an invitation to him to get out of the Cabinet. Some of the Republicans hold the same view, although the White House has disclosed a message from Mr. Daugherty from Miami, Florida, urging President Coolidge to appoint outside counsel, because Attorney-General Daugherty and ex-Senator Fall (who is charged with accepting bribes in connection with the granting of the Government oil leases) served together in the Harding Cabinet.

There are rumours that President Coolidge is preparing a house cleaning of the internal Revenue Bureau and Prohibition Department.

The Senate Investigating Committee expected to hear the testimony of ex-Senator Fall today, but he was reported to be seriously ill and unable to leave his bed.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

In the Senate to-day the recent disclosures were frankly discussed on both sides of the House, with the prospect of the prompt passage of a resolution favouring the annulment of the leases.—(Reuter.)

A bill to make available for President Coolidge a fund of one hundred thousand dollars to cover the legal costs of any prosecutions necessary, was reported to-day by the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, at a session which lasted ten minutes.

Unless the resignation of Mr. Denby, the Secretary of the Navy, is in the hands of the President before sundown to-day, Senator Walsh declared that he would seek the action of the Senate to remove the present head of the Navy Department.—(Reuter.)

NO MONEY FOR WAR.

HOW AMERICA AND BRITAIN MAY ENSURE PEACE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
NEW YORK, Monday.

"Let the British Empire and the United States of America agree not to supply food, ammunition, or money to any nation that is at war, or contemplates going to war. Sign that agreement and Europe stops warring. God help the member of the House of Commons or of the American Congress who would vote against such a compact. Some of the nations might carry on for a short time on their own food supply, and they might buy some munitions from France or some other country, but when America and Britain refuse to guarantee the bills there would soon be an end of that."

Thus Sir Charles Higham, the British advertising expert, who has been visiting America to launch a big advertising campaign in the interest of Indian tea growers and other British and Colonial producers.

"The formula," he says, "is one that every man and every woman can understand. It would be as comprehensible to the man on the Bowery as it would be in Whitechapel.

"The trouble with these involved plans, like the prize winning Bok plan, the League of Nations, and all the rest, is that they are not reduced to their simplest terms. Ask the average man about it, and he does not know what you are talking about, and does not want to be bothered. But ask him if we should loan money to countries going to war. He can understand that, and his answer will be an emphatic 'No.' The same with the women."

CHILD'S FATAL BURNS.

DUBLIN CORONER'S SEVERE COMMENT.

"This is one of the most scandalous cases I have ever listened to," remarked the Coroner at an inquest at the Dublin Morgue yesterday on Josephine Woodward, aged three years, who died on Saturday as the result of burns received at her mother's residence, 18 Cork street.

The child's mother deposed that she left her room at 8.15 a.m. on Saturday to go to work. There was nobody in the room except her daughter, whom the people in the adjoining rooms always looked after while she was away. On that particular morning witness did not advise her neighbours of her departure. There was no fire-guard in the room.

Mrs. Mary Mackey, the child's grandmother, said that she left the room about midday, expecting her daughter to arrive home at one o'clock. She locked the door and put the key beside it. She did not tell anybody to look after the child, who had a slight attack of influenza.

Nellie Kavanagh deposed to seeing smoke issuing from the room at about 12.30 p.m. She heard the child crying for its mother. Nobody had been asked to look after it that morning.

Thomas Byrne said that, with the assistance of another man, he forced the door, but owing to the flames he could not enter the room. He sent immediately for the Fire Brigade.

Evidence was given by Fireman Christopher McDonagh, of Thomas street station, who said that he had to crawl on his hands and knees to get to the child, who was lying on the bed. Witness could not say how the fire originated.

Medical evidence showed that the little girl received burns on the head, face, back and legs. She died an hour and a half after admission to the Meath Hospital from shock following extensive burns.

Addressing the jury, the Coroner, Dr. Oswald J. Murphy, commented on the absence of a fire-screen in the room. The case, he considered, was a serious one of neglect on the part of the child's relatives.

The jury recorded a verdict of accidental death and exonerated the mother and grandmother from all blame. They commended Fireman McDonagh for his bravery and promptitude on the occasion.

MISSING GOODS.

SEARCH IN COUNTY ROSCOMMON.

During the week-end the Ballymoe Civic Guards made searches for missing goods. It is said that in a district some miles from Ballymoe Sergeant Casey and his men found bacon, tea, sugar, rolls of tweed, and millinery, four new bicycles, a gold watch, and several other articles. They were, it is stated, concealed in an apperture between the walls of a dwellinghouse and an outhouse.

A woman and her two sons were arrested and brought to Ballymoe. The woman was admitted to bail, but her sons were remanded. Other arrests have been made.

BALLYMAHON SHOOTING CASE.

At Ballymahon, Co. Longford, yesterday, Mr. T. A. Finlay, District Justice, refused informations in a case in which Volunteers Thomas Fitzmaurice and John Buckley were charged with the manslaughter of Lieutenant Keane, of the Free State Army, on Christmas Morning. The prisoners were discharged.

played once or twice a week; do danced and smoked

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

At the quarterly meeting of the Ulster Association of Rural District Councils, at the Belfast Workhouse yesterday, Mr. T. H. Hardy, J.P., Armagh, presiding, a paper was read by Mr. James Holmes, Newtownards, on public health administration in rural districts. Mr. Holmes said that by the Public Health Acts the death-rate in the six Northern counties had been reduced from 18.3 in 1873 to 15.4 per 1,000 of the population. He emphasised the importance of the notification of disease, saying that it was alarming that 2,505 children should die in the Northern area before they were one year old.

U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED IRREGULAR.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)
NEW YORK, Monday.

Stocks opened irregular. Dividend-paying Railroads were strong, but there was heavy realising and bear selling elsewhere. Pan American Petroleums were depressed by the Washington oil investigation; General Electric was weak on the Federal Board complaint that the General Electric and other companies have combined to control radio devices. The market closed irregular. Government Bonds easy; Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled 1,290,000 shares. Money on call firm, closing at 5 p.c. bid and 5¼ p.c. asked. Actual Loans were from 4 to 5 p.c., the ruling rate being 4 and last loan 4½. Sterling exchange rates easy. Silver ⅛c. up for foreign mined at 63⅜.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

For month of December:—Missouri Kansas and Texas—Gross, 4,790,000 dollars; decrease, 353,000 dollars.

Southern Railway—Gross, 12,433,000 dollars; increase, 209,000 dollars.

Great Northern—Gross, 841,000 dollars; decrease, 118,000 dollars.

Baltimore and Ohio—Gross, 17,075,000 dollars; decrease, 3,874,000 dollars.

For third week of January:—Southern—Gross, 3,464,000 dollars; decrease, 165,000 dollars.

For month of December:—Missouri Pacific—Gross, 9,575,000 dollars; increase, 849,000 dollars.

Atchison Topeka Common advanced 2½, Chesapeake and Ohio Common ⅞, Louisville and Nashville, Union Pacific Common, Utah Copper and Royal Dutch Petroleum ½, New York Central and Shell Ordinary 1, American Smelting and Refining Common ⅝, National Lead 5, Southern Pacific and International Mercantile Marine Preferred ⅝, and Shell Union Oil Corporation 1⅛.

Chicago Milwaukee Common and Northern Pacific Common declined ⅛, Norfolk and Western Common and New York Consolidated Gas ⅜, Wabash Preferred, United States Steel Common and United States Steel Preferred ⅝, General Electric 6, Pan American Petroleum Ordinary 2⅞, and United States Rubber 1⅜.

Missouri Kansas Lien Bonds declined ⅜, and Union Pacific Bonds 1½.

Eng. Parity	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices		Business Done.	
		Sat.	Mon.	H.	L.
120¼	Funded	102¾	102¾	—	—
119⅛	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	98⅞	101⅜	—	—
104⅜	Do. Preference	88¾	89	—	—
67⅛	Baltimore and Ohio	58	57¾	—	—
174¾	Canadian Pacific	149	148¾	—	—
83¾	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	73⅞	74¾	—	—
18⅛	Chic. Mil. & St. Paul	16	15⅞	—	—
6⅛	Chicago and N.-West	51⅞	51¾	—	—
38¾	Erie 1st Preferred	33	33	—	—
64¼	Do. 4% Gen. Lien Bds.	54¾	54¾	—	—
68	Great Northern Pref.	58¾	57⅞	—	—
121¾	Illinois Central	103¾	103¾	—	—
84	Lehigh Valley	71¾	71¼	—	—
104¾	Louisville & Nashville	88¼	88¾	—	—
14¼	Missouri, Kan. & Texas	12¾	12	—	—
78¾	Do. New 4% Bonds	67¾	67	—	—
65⅛	Do. Adj. 5% Bonds	56⅞	55¾	—	—
12⅞	Missouri Pacific New	11	11	—	—
4⅛	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	3¾	4	—	—
2	Do. 2nd Pref.	1⅜	1⅜	—	—
123	N.Y. Ctl. & Hudson R.	103⅞	104⅞	—	—
123⅛	Norfolk & West Com.	106¾	105⅝	—	—
62¾	Northern Pacific Com.	53⅛	53	—	—
21¾	Ontario and Western	18¾	18⅛	—	—
54⅛	Pennsylvania Shares	45⅞	46⅛	—	—
66⅞	Reading Shares	57	56⅞	—	—
42⅛	Do. 1st Preferred	36¼	36¾	—	—
107⅛	Do. 4% Mort. Bonds	91	91¾	—	—
51⅛	Southern Railway	44⅜	44¾	—	—
103⅛	Southern Pacific	87¾	88⅜	—	—
24⅛	Texas and Pacific	21¾	21	—	—
153⅛	Union Pacific	130	130½	—	—
83⅛	Do. Pref.	72¾	72½	—	—
106⅛	Do. 4% Bonds	92½	91	—	—
14¼	Wabash Common	12⅝	12¾	—	—
41⅛	Do. Preferred A	38⅝	38	—	—
70¾	Amer. Smelt. Refin. Com.	59⅜	60	—	—
45½	Anaconda Copper	38⅝	38¾	—	—
15¾	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	21⅛	21⅛	—	—
73⅛	N.Y. Cons. Gas	65⅞	65½	—	—
251⅛	General Electric	220	214	—	—
121⅛	U.S. Steel Common	104¼	103⅝	—	—
140⅜	Do. 1st Preferred	120¼	119⅝	—	—
121	Do. 2nd 5% Bonds	102¾	103	—	—
—	Silver (Foreign Mined)	63¼	63⅜	—	—
9⅛	Inter. M.M. Com. Certs.	7⅛	7⅜	—	—
37¼	Do. Prefd. Certs	31⅛	31¾	—	—
67¾	Royal Dutch Oil	56¾	57¼	—	—
42⅞	Shell Transport	35⅛	36⅛	—	—
55⅝	Pan-American Pet.	50¼	47⅜	—	—
18⅛	Anglo-American Oil	15⅜	15⅜	—	—
17⅛	General Motors	14⅛	14⅛	—	—
45⅛	U.S. Rubber	40⅝	39¼	—	—

*Asked. † Ex div. ‡ Ex Bonus. ‖ Ex rights

	Saturday.	Monday.
Call Money	Nominal.	5b. 5¼a.
Ex. on Ln. 60 days' st.	4.20.25	4.22.50
Ex. on Ln. Demand Bills	4.23.00	4.25.25
Cable Transfers	4.23.25	4.25.50
Ex. on Paris	4.52½	4.60
Cotton Mid. Upland	33.55	33.45
Do., New Orleans, Mid.	33.50	33.38
Cottonseed Oil, P. Sum.		
Yellow Spot	10.50	10.40
Cot. Seed Oil, Yel., Jan.	10.35	10.25
Petro. Refined, in cases	17.15	17.15
Do., Standard White	14.00	14.00
Do., Philad. Stan. do.	14.00	14.00
Do., Pennsyl., Crude	4.25	4.25
Spirits of Turpentine	103	102
Do., Savannah	97—96	97—98
Resin, Grade K	4.55	4.70
Do., Grade F	5.20	5.00
Lard, Prime West, Stm.	12.62½	12.30
Do., Midland West	12.20—12.30	11.90—12.00
Tallow, Extra	8½	8½
Sugar, New Cuban	6.65	6.78
Corn, West., No. 2 Mix.	92½	93½
Wheat, No. 2 Hd. Wtr.	125	126
Do., No. 2 Red Winter	125	126
Do., No. 2 Mix. Drm.	115½	116
Coffee, Rio No. 7	10⅞	11⅛
Flour, Spring Clears	5.00—5.50	5.00—5.50
Iron, No. 2 Nor. Fdry.	22.50—23.00	22.50—23.00
Tin, Straits	50.12½	48.75
Zinc, East St. Louis	6.50	6.50
Electrolytic Cop. Spot	12¾	12¾
Do. do. Futures	12¾—12⅞	12¾—12⅞
Freight Heavy Grain to U. Kingdom, per bushel	3/6—4/0	3/6—4/0
Freight, Heavy Grain to Continent, per bushel	14—15	14—15
Freight, Cont. to L'pool (high density)	25	25
Do. Stand. (per 100lb.)	30	30

PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Monday.

WHEAT.—Spot market firm, 1c. to ½c. dearer. Exporters engaged 25 boatloads of wheat and 15 boatloads of rye. The visible supply of wheat in the United States has decreased 2,213,000 bushels on the week, and now totals 68,282,000 bushels; last year, 45,505,000 bushels. The visible supply of wheat in Canada has increased 1,281,000 on the week, and now totals 53,522,000 bushels; last year, 35,606,000 bushels. The week's export clearances from the Atlantic seaboard totals 3,120,000 bushels; last year, 5,747,000 bushels. Receipts—Atlantic, 419,000; last year, 833,000. Clearances, 76,000; last year, 573,000.

FLOUR steady.

CORN on spot firm at ½c. rise. The visible supply of corn has decreased 304,000 bushels on the week, and now totals 8,959,000; last year, 20,594,000. The week's export clearances from the Atlantic seaboard totals 357,000 bushels; last year, 1,433,000. The week's export clearances—Oats, 457,000 bushels; last year, 802,000; flour, 272,000 barrels; last year, 306,000. Receipts—Atlantic, 69,000; last year, 214,000. Clearances, nil; last year, 296,000.

SUGAR firm, with centrifugal Cuban 13 points up. Porto Rica unquoted. Futures firm, 14 to 15 points up. Approximate future sugar sales—33,000 tons. January, unquoted; March, 5.03; May, 5.10; July, 5.16; September, 5.20. To-day's sugar sales—10,000 bags of Cuban at 6.72 for shipment first half of February, 250,000 bags of Cuban at 6.78 for February shipment, and 14,000 bags of Philippines at 6.78 for February shipment.

COTTON opened barely steady, 18 to 5 points down, and went lower on weaker cables, disappointing conditions in the cotton goods trade, Southern mills curtailment, selling encouraged by weakness of New Orleans, and stop loss orders. There was a recovery on foreign buying and Wall street support; then the smaller exports caused a relapse. Finally, however, on spot houses buying the market closed firm, with near 15 to 4 points down and distant months 10 points up to 2 points down. Spot quiet at 10 points fall. New Orleans spot declined 12 points. Receipts—Atlantic, 7,000; Gulf, 12,000. Exports—Britain, nil; Continent, 9,000. Futures in last 20 seconds of trading:—January, lowest unquoted, highest unquoted; February, 32.90, 32.90; March, 33.12, 33.15; April, 33.27, 33.27; May, 33.43, 33.45; June, 33.05, 33.05; July, 32.16, 32.20; August 29.83, 29.83; September, 28.83, 28.83; October, 27.98, 28.00; November, 27.70, 27.70; December, 27.48, 27.48. New Orleans cotton futures in last minute of trading:—March, lowest 33.20, highest 33.25; May, 32.94, 32.98.

COTTON OIL steady at the quotations.

PETROLEUM steady.

KANSAS CITY.—Wheat steady and unchanged. No. 2 hard winter, 114.

ST. LOUIS.—Wheat steady. No. 2 red winter, 116½.

MINNEAPOLIS.—Wheat steady, ⅛c. up. No. 1 Northern spring, 115½.

WINNIPEG.—Wheat opened steady and unchanged, and closed steady, ⅛c. up. May, 101⅞; July, 103½. Oats steady, ⅛c. dearer. May, 43½.

CHICAGO, Monday.

WHEAT opened steady at late rates, and declined early, due to bearish weekly foreign statistics, sympathy with corn and Armour interests selling, but later recovered under adverse crop reports, the bullish visible supply exhibit, outside support, commission house buying and covering operations. The market closed steady, ⅛c. to ½c. up. Spot steady. No. 2 hard winter spot, 111½; No. 3 hard winter spot, 106½. May, 109⅞; July, 107⅞; September, 106⅞.

CORN opened easy at ⅛c. fall, and went lower on predictions of increased receipts, favourable weather and bulls unloading; then improved smartly on small country offerings, talk of bad weather, the bullish visible supply figures and commission house buying. The market closed firm, ⅝c. to 1c. higher. Spot No. 2 mixed, 88½; May, 80; July, 80½; September, 81½.

OATS firm at ⅛c. rise. May, 48⅛; July, 45⅛; September, 43⅞.

PROVISIONS opened easy, and fell throughout owing to a lower hog market, heavy receipts, a slow cash demand, realising, selling by commission houses and stop loss orders. The market closed weak, with lard 25 to 15 and ribs 12½ points down; pork unquoted. Lard—January, 11.25; March, 11.17½; May, 11.23. Ribs—January, 940; May, 970.

BACON steady. Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1st, total 11,283,000, against 9,610,000 same season last year.

HOGS easy, with light 30 to 15, and heavy 15 to 20 points lower.

	Bacon. 60 lbs avg.	160 to 230 lbs.		240 to 320 lbs.	
To-day	9.62½	6.80	7.05	7.00	7.15
Prev. day	9.62½	6.80	7.20	7.15	7.30

Photo by] [Bainbridge.

One hundred and twenty competitors starting in the Northern Junior Cross-country Championship for the War Memorial Trophy at Bloomfield, Belfast.

Mountjoy School Rugby Fifteen.

Royal Belfast Academical Institution Rugby Fifteen.

Londonderry Corporation are seeking powers to acquire control of Carlisle Bridge, which is to be re-built.

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BROADCASTING WONDERS.

THE HANDICAP IN THE FREE STATE.

Under the auspices of the Engineering and Scientific Association of Ireland, at the Physics Theatre, University College, Dublin, last night, Mr. D. O'B. McAteer, A.R.C.Sc.I., delivered a lecture on "Broadcast Reception," which was followed by a successful demonstration on a receiving set supplied at short notice by Metropolitan Vickers, Ltd.

The lecturer said that he would try to cover in the time at his disposal the principles underlying the design of modern commercial apparatus for the reception of popular broadcasting transmissions. Slides were exhibited showing the process of conduction of sound from the mouth of the speaker to the ear of the listener by means of radio waves. Water wave analogies and the physical and mathematical conception of radio waves were described and illustrated by diagrams. The lecturer then proceeded to discuss in mathematical detail the two fundamental parts of reception apparatus, which, he said, were oscillatory circuits and the three electrode valve. The conditions for obtaining resonance and efficiency in the oscillatory circuits were given, and the design of a circuit for any given wave length was described. How the sound waves were recovered from the high frequency radio waves by the detector action of the valve was shown, and the two methods of anode and grid rectification were described.

Mr. D. O'B. McAteer.

Having exhibited some diagrams of the commoner types of receiving circuits, the lecturer showed how to work out the strength of the received signals from a station 310 miles distant. He also showed a circuit which could be relied upon to give clear reception from such a station under practically any atmospheric conditions. Suitable amplifying arrangements for producing loud speaking from such a station were then shown.

The lecturer concluded by showing some slides of listening-in in action, and one showing children listening to "Bedtime Stories," and remarked that anyone who had the pleasure in England or Northern Ireland of listening to the infectious laugh of the "Uncles" at Bournemouth would realise what a joy this was to the children, and that this was one innocent enjoyment prohibited to the ordinary children and to the children in Dublin hospitals by the apparently ridiculous action of the Free State Post Office authorities.

The audience then listened-in with telephones, one of the members remarking: "They are talking about the railway strike."

The Chairman said that they were greatly indebted to Mr. McAteer for his lecture.

Mr. Robertson, in proposing a vote of thanks, said that they were placed in the position of being behind the times in regard to broadcasting. They would appreciate a lecture like that more fully if they were in a position to carry out experiments themselves. It was rumoured that a broadcasting station was about to be erected in the vicinity of Terenure. If that was so, it would probably interfere with the reception of messages by people who had sets in that district.

Mr. Robinson seconded, and remarked that the lecture represented the result of a great deal of hard work. One point that he would like to emphasise was the importance of minimising the resistance of the aerial as far as possible. Another was the importance of studying characteristic valve curves, because the type of valve that had to be chosen was important.

JILTED LOVER BLAMED.

BURNING OF CO. TIPPERARY WOMAN'S HOUSE.

At Clonmel Quarter Sessions, Miss Johanna Campbell, Castlegrace, claimed £1,150 compensation in respect of the burning of a dwellinghouse, furniture, and wearing apparel on October 6, 1922. The claim was dismissed, with costs to the County Council.

In the course of her cross-examination by Mr. J. G. Skinner, solicitor, the applicant divulged that she believed that a labourer, whom she had jilted, was to blame "for the whole thing." She used to walk out with him, and he hinted at marriage. He tried to choke her when he found that she had transferred her affections to another.

CHARGE OF RAIDING.

Yesterday in the Drumcondra District Court, before Mr. George P. Cussen, Charles Phelan, a labourer, of Windy Arbour, Dundrum, was charged with having robbed Mr. M. F. Hickey, Churchtown, of £9.

James Phelan, father of the accused, said that his son was innocent. He asked for bail for him.

The accused was returned for trial to the next Commission.

CATTLE STEALING.

On the night of the 25th inst. three cattle were taken from the lands of Mr. Abraham Buttimer, Kilbrennan, Templemartyn, some miles from Bandon. Mr. Buttimer reported the matter to the Civic Guards at Bandon. who found the cattle on a farm in the townland of Ballymurphy.

On the night of the 18th inst. nine cattle were removed from the farm of Mr. Hosford, Gurrane, Templemartyn. The cattle were subsequently located and returned to the owner.

This year's Bayreuth Festival will begin on July 22 with a performance of "Die Meistersinger." The festival will end on August 17 with "The Ring."

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POSSESSION OF STOLEN GOODS.

THE CASE AGAINST CAPTAIN EUSTACE.

MOTION TO QUASH THE CONVICTION.

In the King's Bench Division, Dublin, yesterday, before the Lord Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Dodd, and Mr. Justice Samuels, the case of the King (Eustace) v. J. M. Flood, District Justice, came on for hearing on an application on behalf of Captain F. R. Eustace, M.F.H., Grenanstown, Toomevara, County Tipperary, for an order to bring up and quash the sentence of twelve months' imprisonment imposed on him at Nenagh by Mr. Flood for being, as alleged, in possession of stolen property.

The grounds on which the application was made were that "the principles of justice had not been observed by the District Justice, and that there was irregularity in admitting the evidence of one of the accused in the Court below."

SOLICITOR'S AFFIDAVIT.

In an affidavit Mr. P. McGrath, solicitor for Captain Eustace, stated that Captain Eustace informed him that while motoring with a lady friend about 6 p.m. on December 15 to meet a friend he was "held up" near Ashley Park by two men armed with revolvers, who compelled them to drive to the village of Coolbawn, some distance away, where on arrival Captain Eustace was forced to dismount from his car at the publichouse of Mr. Martin Tracey, who admitted them, the lady being left in the car, with instructions not to speak to anybody. The armed men, who pretended to be Excise officers searching for illicit liquor, opened a bottle of whiskey, and took some of it. When a sergeant of the Civic Guard came on the scene the two armed men pretended to be superintendents of the Civic Guard, and produced a document purporting to authorise them to search for liquor.

They had a drink with the sergeant, and then Captain Eustace and the two men got into the motor again, one of the men taking out a revolver while outside the publichouse. Captain Eustace, at the command of the armed men, then drove the car to Kilgarvan quay, at Lough Derg, where the armed men broke into a store, and took a quantity of goods, which they put into the car. Captain Eustace was compelled to drive the car to the village of Puckanne, where he was forced to knock up a publican named John Blake, and ask for a drink.

The affidavit described what took place afterwards, including an altercation and firing, during which Captain Eustace endeavoured to prevent Blake from being shot. When a lorry containing military arrived the two armed men fled, one leaving his revolver in the possession of Mrs. Blake.

Captain Eustace and the lady threw themselves on the floor of the publichouse. They were taken into custody by the Civic Guards searched, and brought to Nenagh. The lady was discharged on arrival, and Captain Eustace was detained.

MAGISTRATE'S STATEMENT OF THE CASE.

Mr Serjeant Hanna, who, with Mr. H. D. Connor, K.C., and Mr. Dockrell (instructed by Messrs. Findlater and Co.), appeared for Captain Eustace, said that his argument would be that there was no jurisdiction by the District Justice to entertain the charge; that the order was bad on its face; and that the prosecutor was entitled to *certiorari* by reason of certain irregularities in the procedure. Counsel read the affidavits of Mr. Flood, who stated that Francis R. Eustace and Phyllis Cecil Coldwell were tried before him at Nenagh on the 18th December last on the charge of having unlawfully in their possession a considerable quantity of stolen property, they well knowing the same to have been stolen. The stolen property consisted of 240lbs. of bacon, 6 boxes of biscuits, 3 packets of candles, 2 boxes of soap, 1 box of rice, 1 box of Lux, 6 pots of jam, and a quantity of currants and raisins. It was quite untrue that the charge against prisoners was not read out in open court. When the case was called his clerk read out the substance of the charge, and Section 9 of the Public Safety (Emergency Powers) Act, 1923, under which the prosecution was brought, was read at the same time. Subsequently, during the hearing of the case, the solicitor for the accused, having made some statement that he did not know the exact nature of the charge against his clients, he (Mr. Flood) personally read out from the order book, word for word, the charge as it appeared therein, and as it appeared in the certificate of conviction. The defendants did not admit their guilt, and accordingly evidence was called and the case proceeded with in the ordinary way.

Mr. McGrath did not at any time apply for an adjournment, nor did he apply that the case should be sent forward for trial. At the commencement of the case Mr. McGrath stated he did not expect that the case would be dealt with by the District Court, and had assumed that depositions would be taken and the case returned for trial. He pointed out that the case was a serious one and that if the case were treated as an indictable one he would be able to have the assistance of counsel at the trial. Mr. O'Brien, the State Solicitor, stated that the case came within the summary provision of Section 9 of the Public Safety Act, and that it was the class of case which the said Act was peculiarly intended to meet, and he asked deponent to deal with the case under that section.

The affidavit proceeded:—"I then said that I would proceed under the said section, and Mr. McGrath thereupon stated in open court that, in that event, he would not object to my jurisdiction. Mr. McGrath did not say that he required counsel before me, and his only reference to counsel was when he was pointing out the advantage, from his clients' point of view, of having the case sent forward for trial."

THE EVIDENCE IN THE CASE.

Mr. Flood further stated in his affidavit that it was a common case that, when taken into custody by the military authorities the accused had in their possession a considerable quantity of stolen goods. The only explanation offered by, or on behalf of, the accused was that they had acted under duress, and were not free agents in the matter. A number of witnesses were examined before him on behalf of the prosecution, including several who had been in a position to observe, and did observe, the movements and acts of the accused on the night in question, and gave evidence as to same. On the hearing of the said evidence he was satisfied that the accused, Francis R. Eustace, had been a free agent, and that the suggestion that he had acted under duress had no foundation in fact. As regards the accused, Phyllis Cecil Coldwell, though she was not the wife of the prosecutor herein, he was prepared to give her the benefit of the presumption that she had acted under his influence as though she had been his wife.

At the conclusion of the case for the prosecution, Mr. McGrath said that he proposed to examine the said Phyllis Cecil Coldwell on behalf of Captain Eustace. Mr. O'Brien objected on the ground that such evidence would be illegal, as it was a joint charge. Mr. McGrath said it was unfair to the accused, as the effect of making it a joint charge was to muzzle any defence that could be made. Deponent then stated that any application to have the accused tried separately should have been made at the opening of the case, if it was the intention to have either of them give evidence in defence of the other. Mr. McGrath said he was rather rushed at the commencement of the case and had omitted to do so, and again applied that the evidence of Mrs. Coldwell be taken in the case of Captain Eustace, stating in open court that no advantage would be taken in any future proceedings of the fact that her evidence was admitted. Mr. O'Brien said he did not wish to take any advantage of the defence, and deponent thereupon admitted the evidence, having already made up his mind to discharge the female prisoner, though he had not formally done so at the time. The said Phyllis Cecil Coldwell was thereupon examined by Mr. McGrath and cross-examined by Mr. O'Brien.

At the conclusion of the evidence, deponent was addressed at length by Mr. McGrath, who, in the course of his address, stated that the real culprits had not been made amenable and that punishment for their actions should not be visited on Captain Eustace and his lady companion, who were the least culpable of the whole party. He also stated that if deponent acquitted Captain Eustace he was in a position to satisfy the Court with substantial bail for his future good behaviour. Deponent thereupon convicted Captain Eustace, and sentenced him to twelve months' imprisonment without hard labour, and he discharged Mrs. Coldwell.

"Apart from the evidence of Mrs. Coldwell," continued Mr. Flood, "I had sufficient evidence before me of the guilt of Captain Eustace, and would have convicted him, and I say that her evidence did not affect either my finding or my sentence. At the conclusion of Mrs. Coldwell's evidence, Mr. McGrath proposed to call Captain Eustace as a witness, not in his own case, but in the case against Mrs. Coldwell. I refused to hear his evidence, as I had already made up my mind to discharge her."

HIGH COURT PROCEEDINGS.

"My attention has been directed to a newspaper report of the proceedings before the Right Hon. the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland on the application for the conditional order herein, in which Serjeant Hanna, on behalf of the prosecution, is alleged to have stated that the prosecutor served notice of appeal, but that the district magistrate refused to take it on the advice of the State Solicitor that no appeal lay, and that it was in consequence of this refusal to receive the notice of appeal that the application to this Court was made. The District Registrar referred to is Mr. Denis Horgan, the District Sessions Clerk, and he informs me, and I believe that he was in attendance in his office at the Courthouse, Nenagh, for several hours each day on the 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd days of December, 1923, and that no attempt was made to serve him with any such notice. On Sunday, the 23rd December, 1923, a notice of appeal dated the 22nd December, 1923, was handed to Mr. Horgan on the public street in Nenagh as he was going into Mass, and he refused to accept it on the ground that it was late. This was the only attempt made to serve any such notice. He further informs me, and I believe that neither in connection with this case or any other case has Mr. O'Brien given him any advice, directions or instructions as to appeals.

"Serjeant Hanna is also alleged to have stated that apparently the State Solicitor and District Justice were of opinion that no appeal lay, and so informed Mr. McGrath. I am not and never was of opinion that no appeal lay in a case such as the present one, and did not so inform Mr. McGrath. On the contrary, when some question arose in Court during the hearing of the case as to the question of appeal, I distinctly stated that I had seen a newspaper report of a successful appeal from one of my colleagues."

THE DEFENDANT'S AFFIDAVIT.

Captain Eustace, in an answering affidavit, said that in conversation with his solicitor, Mr. McGrath, on the 17th December, his solicitor told him that he would very likely be sent forward for trial, and asked him for the name of solvent sureties to go bail for him, as depositions would be taken, and to have bail in Court for that purpose on the following day. No charge was read out to him, and he was not asked to plead, the State Solicitor stating he was proceeding under Section 9 of the Public Safety Act, but this section was never fully read out, and the only occasion on which the charge was read was after the close of the case for the prosecution and during the course of a legal argument as to whether Mrs. Coldwell could be called, and at this stage his solicitor, Mr. McGrath, said he did not know what the charge was. No question was ever put to him as to whether he (Captain Eustace) was guilty or not. He said that the trial was rushed on his solicitor, and that he did apply for an adjournment, and stated he wanted the assistance of counsel, and that, furthermore, at no stage of the proceedings in court, or before same or afterwards, was any summons or charge served upon him or his solicitor, and it was only after the district justice had stated that he was in the hands of Mr. O'Brien and that the case should proceed.

He referred to an affidavit sworn by the reporter of the *Tipperary Star*, who was in court and reported the proceedings at the trial. His solicitor never agreed to the district justice exercising his jurisdiction under Secton 9 of the Public Safety Act, and, furthermore, if the proceedings were under that section the district justice gave him no opportunity of making any statement as to the facts, and the district justice refused to allow him to be examined by his solicitor. The paragraph of the affidavit was misleading in so far as the district justice stated that he was prepared to give Mrs. Coldwell the benefit of the presumption that she acted under duress from him, although she was not his (Captain Eustace's) wife. It was never argued or suggested during the course of the whole proceedings that Mrs. Coldwell was acting under duress from him, or that she was his wife, and the first time such a suggestion was made was in the judgment delivered by the district justice. It was quite untrue that his (Captain Eustace's) solicitor stated, and he had no authority for stating, that no advantage would be taken in any future proceedings of the fact that Mrs. Coldwell's evidence was admitted, and, further, the district justice never intimated, either directly or indirectly, until his judgment, that he had made up his mind to discharge the prisoner, Mrs. Coldwell. After her examination and cross-examination she went back to the dock beside him (Captain Eustace), the other accused.

The affidavit concluded:—"I say with reference to paragraph 10 of the affidavit that it is untrue that the evidence of Mrs. Coldwell did not affect the district justice's finding or sentence against me and his deponent, because in his reported judgment when passing sentence upon me he said as follows:—'Allowing a fellow-prisoner to give evidence might prevent a miscarriage of justice, but often cut both ways, and admission of the female prisoner in cross-examination that she had been drinking with O'Brien in Nenagh was a telling point,' meaning, of course, a telling point against me and his deponent, as he afterwards proceeded to discharge Mrs. Coldwell without prejudice."

Counsel then produced a copy of the Order Book, and said that the order was bad on its face, and inherently invalid. He then referred to Article 72 of the Constitution, and said that no person shall be tried on any criminal charge without a jury, save in the case of charges in respect of minor offences triable by law before a Court of summary jurisdiction. If it was not a minor offence triable by summary jurisdiction then Captain Eustace was entitled, as Mr. McGrath thought, to a jury. This was a case triable by a jury, and any section in an Act of Parliament which deprived him of that right was a breach of the Constitution

THE CASE FOR THE STATE.

Mr. T. Sullivan, K.C., with whom was the Attorney-General (Mr. H. Kennedy, K.C.) and Mr. John O'Byrne (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) appeared for the district justice, and directed attention to the grounds on which the Lord Chief Justice granted the conditional order in the case. He said that some of these grounds were not mere technicalities, but reflected to a certain extent on the district justice who heard this matter. One of the grounds was that the accused were not asked to plead, and did not plead. Mr. Flood in his affidavit stated that it was quite untrue that the charge against the prisoners was not read in open court. So far as that ground was concerned and Mr. Flood having pledged his oath to the fact that the charge was read in open court and that the section under which the charge was made was read in open court, their lordships would not disregard that averment and grant an order for *certiorari* on the ground that the charge was not read. The next ground was that an application for an adjournment was made and refused, and counsel again referred to Mr. Flood's affidavit dealing with that point.

Mr. Justice Dodd said that it was obvious that the accused was struggling to make a case.

Mr. Sullivan, K.C., said that the next ground was that one of the two persons jointly charged was allowed to give evidence. Counsel submitted that the Court ought not grant a *certiorari* to quash the conviction on that ground. The District Justice's story of what happened in reference to that had been contradicted to some extent by the affidavit of Captain Eustace, but the District Justice's story of what took place between himself and Mr. McGrath, who was Captain Eustace's solicitor, had not been denied by Mr. McGrath. If there was one thing clear in the case it was that the State Solicitor did not want this evidence given, the District Justice did not want it given, but when an application was made to have the evidence given he got the benefit of it, and now his counsel asked to have the conviction quashed on the ground that it was bad.

Mr. Justice Dodd said that if the evidence was illegal it vitiated the whole transaction.

Mr. Sullivan, K.C., then dealt with the point that the conviction was bad on its face, and that it was not a charge within Section 9 of the Public Safety Act at all. Counsel contended that the section was broad enough to cover a case where, in fact, the property was known to be stolen and the thieves were known. He argued that the conviction was good on its face.

Mr. Justice Dodd said that he had yet to learn that a man could be arrested on suspicion for a misdemeanour, but a man could be arrested on suspicion for a felony. Everything was right as soon as it was a felony, and everything was wrong as soon as it was a misdemeanour to be tried at Petty Sessions.

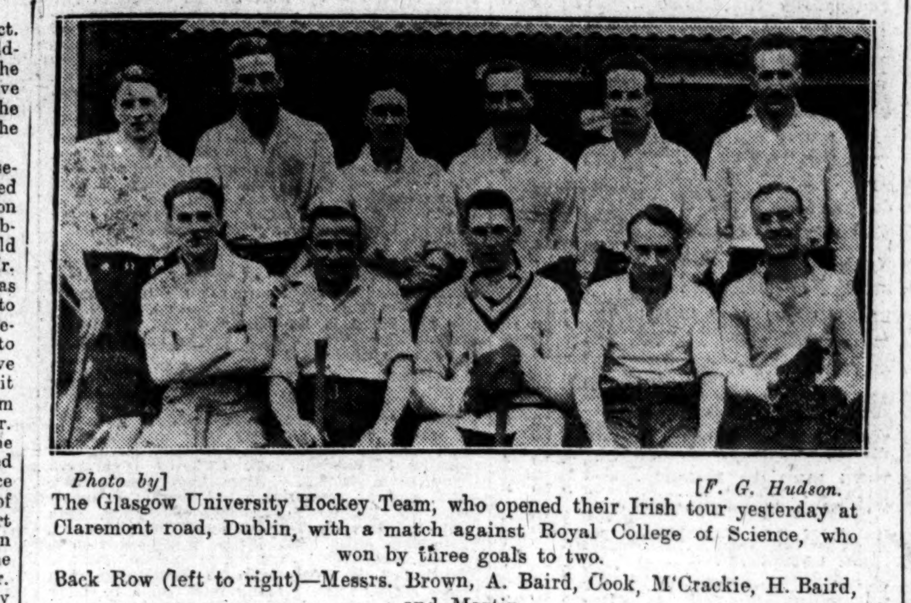
Mr. O'Byrne said that Mr. Justice Dodd had suggested earlier in the course of the arguments that Captain Eustace did not get a fair chance of defending himself, but Mr. Flood had sworn that at no time was an application made for adjournment, and no application was made to adjourn for the purpose of bringing in counsel by Captain Eustace. He submitted that there was jurisdiction; that the case was properly before the District Justice; and that the order, on the face of it, was a good order.

Mr. Conner, K.C., in replying for Captain Eustace, dealt with the question of minor offences referred to in the Constitution, and said that the construction that was put on it by the State counsel made nonsense of the section. He submitted that the conviction was absolutely bad on the face of it.

He further argued that the charge was one of felony, and the examination of Mrs. Coldwell as a witness, who was jointly charged with Captain Eustace, was illegal. There was no power to arrest under Section 9, although there was such power given for arrest with respect to the twelve offences mentioned in the schedule. He asked that the conviction should be quashed.

The Court reserved judgment.

On Saturday the *Nieue Freie Presse* in Vienna published a special British number, containing special reference to the advent of the Labour Party to power.



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The Glasgow University Hockey Team, who opened their Irish tour yesterday at Claremont road, Dublin, with a match against Royal College of Science, who won by three goals to two.

Back Row (left to right)—Messrs. Brown, A. Baird, Cook, M'Crackie, H. Baird, and Martin.

Front—Messrs. Patterson, Ashton, Robertson (capt.), M'Creidie, and Giles.

BUTTER INSPECTIONS.

NORTHERN MINISTRY'S SCHEME.

The practice of holding at certain intervals surprise butter inspections, inaugurated in 1922 by the Ministry of Agriculture, Northern Ireland, was continued during the past year. Seven inspections were held, six taking place in Belfast and one in Glasgow. The aim of these inspections is to discover in what respects improvement in methods of production and marketing may be attained, and in every case where the butter reaches a consistently high standard of excellence to afford marketing advice and assistance to the producer.

During the summer months the samples submitted for inspection consisted of 56lb. boxes. In the winter two 1lb. rolls were forwarded by each participating creamery. The samples were called up by telegram on a particular morning and despatched by the creameries to the inspection centre on that day. The butter, which was thus in every case a fair sample of the day's production, was retained for about a week to test its keeping properties.

At each inspection two independent butter merchants of wide experience acted as judges, and every care was taken to ensure that the origin of the butter was not disclosed.

The majority of the creameries in Northern Ireland participated in these inspections, and about 70 per cent. of the samples submitted were up to the Ministry's standard. Butter which showed an outstanding degree of excellence as regards flavour, texture, marketable appearance, packing, finish, etc., was classed as "premium," while butter which just failed to reach the "premium" grade in one or more particulars, but showed in every respect a high degree of merit, was classed as "standard."

Any butter which failed to reach "standard" class in any one particular, even though it might be excellent in every respect, was regarded as "below standard." The Ministry undertakes to afford those creameries which are consistently producing "premium" or "standard" butter advice and assistance in the marketing of their produce.

DUBLIN CITY HALL.

TO BE RENOVATED AT COST OF £6,000.

The Dublin Corporation last night decided to instruct the Finance and General Purposes Committee to make provision in the estimates for the expenditure of £6,000 on the renovation and repair of the City Hall following the transference of that building from the possession of the military authorities to the Municipal Council. The work is to be taken in hand as soon as possible.

It was mentioned in the course of the discussion on the matter that the British Government had paid £1,771 for their occupation of the premises, the amount of the Corporation's claim being £5,600. A claim for £1,716 was lodged with the Free State Government in respect of their occupation of the buildings, but no payment in respect of this claim has yet been made.

A SECRET DISCLOSED.

DUBLIN EX-HIGH SHERIFF'S RETENTION OF CHAIN.

During his term of office as High Sheriff of Dublin, ex-Councillor John P. MacAvin was asked by the late Alderman Joseph McDonagh, Alderman Cosgrave and the Lord Mayor not to hand over the Sheriff's chain to any persons other than themselves. The request was made in view of the turmoil prevailing at the time.

Yesterday, at a meeting of the Dublin Corporation, Mr. MacAvin handed over the chain of office to the Lord Mayor, who mentioned that he was the only one left in the Council of the three people named. Alderman McDonagh, he said, had died, and Alderman Cosgrave had transferred his energies to another place.

WORKERS' WAGES.

ISSUE AT FORTHCOMING BY-ELECTION.

At a meeting of the Donabate Branch of the Irish Labour Party on Monday, reference was made by Mr. M. P. Linehan, of the National Executive, to the candidature of Mr. A. Heron in the forthcoming by-election for County Dublin. It was pointed out that this election would be chiefly fought on the issue of the workers' wages and conditions of employment.

Cumann na nGaedheal, he said, were evidently pledged to see that the workers' wages were reduced, and the Republican Party by their policy of abstention were co-operating with the Government in their attack on the wage-earners. The workers should remember this and should realise that every first preference given to anyone but the Labour candidate was a vote for an increased cut in wages.

According to official figures, the number of immigrants into Canada for the nine months ending in December totalled 124,[illegible]80, an increase of 107 per cent. as compared with the first nine months of the preceding fiscal year. Of these immigrants 4,127 came from Great Britain, an increase of 125 per cent.

CONCERT CRUELTY.

"ENTERTAINERS NOT WORTH THEIR COFFEE."

CENSORSHIP AT A WORKHOUSE.

An amusing discussion took place at the meeting of the Marylebone (London) Board of Guardians yesterday, when Councillor E. W. Dean, one of the members, asked the Chairman of the Workhouse Visiting Committee if he would consider taking steps to protect the inmates against some of the appalling concerts which were given in the institution from time to time by amateur entertainers. While these troupes were no doubt actuated by the best possible motives, it had to be admitted that they were often not worth the coffee which was provided for their refreshment. Their performances really inflicted cruelty on the poor old folk who had to listen to them.

Councillor Vincent, Chairman of the Committee, in reply, said that he admitted the justice of Councillor Dean's remarks regarding the quality of some of the concerts, and he would ask his Committee to consider the question of establishing some form of censorship. At the same time he thought it right to remind the Board that however bad an entertainment might be, it usually had the great advantage from the inmates' point of view of postponing bedtime for an hour or two.

BETTING CHEQUES.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DUBLIN MAN FAIL.

The Court of Appeal in London, consisting of the Master of the Rolls and Lords Justices Warrington and Atkin, yesterday affirmed the judgment of Mr. Justice Astbury, setting aside the service out of the jurisdiction on Mr. P. L. Smyth, of Talbot street, Dublin, of a writ for £2,909 by the Trustee in Bankruptcy of Henry Rothfield against Wright, trading as T. Wright and Co. The matter came up on appeal by the Trustee in Bankruptcy.

Mr. Clayton, K.C., for the trustee, said that Mr. Justice Astbury set aside the service of writ on the ground that Mr. P. L. Smyth was not the defendant. His case was that T. Wright was a misnomer, and that the proceedings to set aside the service were misconceived. The plaintiff was appointed Trustee in Bankruptcy of Rothfield in June, 1922. It came to his knowledge about a year later that Rothfield had been backing horses, and had lost £2,909 to the defendant, which he paid by six cheques. Four cheques for an aggregate of £2,078 were drawn in favour of "T. Wright, Esq.," and endorsed apparently in the same handwriting by T. Wright and P. L. Smyth. Of the other two, one for £30 was drawn in favour of P. L. Smythe and endorsed P. L. Smythe. The other was made payable "cash or order," and was endorsed P. L. Smyth, but in pencil on the left-hand corner of the cheque "T. Wright" was written. In October, 1923, an order was made for service out of the jurisdiction on T Wright at Talbot street, Dublin. At the time of the bets the firm of bookmakers had an address in Oxford street, London, but that had since been given up. Under the order of October, 1923, the writ was served on P. L. Smyth, who entered a conditional appearance, and moved, before Mr. Justice Astbury, to set the service of the writ aside. In support of that application P. L. Smyth made an affidavit to the effect that he was not T. Wright, and never traded as T. Wright and Co., but there was no question that he signed "T. Wright" on the back of the cheque made payable to T. Wright.

Mr. Neilson, K.C. (for Mr. Smyth)—There is no evidence of that.

Mr. Clayton, proceeding, said there was also an affidavit by Smyth's solicitor that Smyth was not T. Wright, but that Thomas Wright was at one time associated in business with Smyth. Cheques signed by Smyth were produced, and apparently the signatures were not the same as the endorsements on the six Rothfield cheques, but there was no suggestion that Smyth had not received the money.

The Master of the Rolls, giving judgment, said that the trustee might be advised to amend his proceedings and still bring the issue to trial. It was by no means clear that at some time or other Mr. Smyth and Mr. Wright were not engaged in business together, and it might be that Mr. Smyth had a close interest in the bets which resulted in the payment of the moneys now in dispute. But the plaintiff had obtained leave to serve out of the jurisdiction and service on Mr. Smyth was not the service for which he had obtained leave. Mr. Justice Astbury's order was right.

Lord Justice Warrington agreed.

Lord Justice Atkin, in concurring, said that if the plaintiff intended to pursue the action he would probably have to start all over again.

The appeal was dismissed with costs.

IRISH DISTRESSED LADIES' FUND.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Irish Distressed Ladies' Fund was held on Friday, 25th inst., at their office, 6 Merrion square—Mr. Charles H. Chaytor in the chair. Also present:—The Lady HolmPatrick, Miss Butler, Miss Tottenham, Lady Moore, Miss Kenny, Lieutenant-Colonel Tottenham, and Lieutenant-Colonel Baillie, F.S.I. Lieutenant-Colonel Lord Frederick FitzGerald and Miss Alice Croker regretted not being present. The pension list having been submitted, cheques in connection with same together with five grants amounting to £107, were ordered to be issued. Applications received since last meeting were then considered, when grants amounting to £85 were sanctioned. The warm thanks of the Committee were ordered to be sent to their Hon. Secretaries in the various counties for all the trouble taken, and the kind help offered in the past year.

WATERWAYS OF THE FREE STATE.

COMMISSION CHAIRMAN STATES HIS VIEWS.

The findings of the recent Commission on Inland Waterways of the Free State formed the subject of an address by Mr. R. N. Tweedy, M.I.C.E., to Dublin Rotarians yesterday. Mr. Tweedy was accompanied by his fellow-Commissioners, Messrs. McCarthy, Leonard and Davin.

The one thing that did not seem to be properly understood by anyone, said Mr. Tweedy, was that the waterways were free to every citizen almost exactly as were the roads. There was a distinct analogy between the roadway and the waterway. The traffic capacity of canals and navigable rivers was very large by comparison with the railroads, and in the case of the former traffic could be piled up without increasing the capital charges to any great extent. There was room enough for every form of transport in the Free State, but every one of them should get a chance, and the object should be to secure harmonious co-operation.

Navigable waters would not have sunk to their present condition if anything like the development on railways and roads had taken place in their case. The fact was that for the last eighty or one hundred years there had been no capital expenditure on one of their most important systems of transport. Consequently, how anyone could expect any business to be done on that system was more than he could understand. He always held that there was a considerable amount of work to be done on the Shannon in the way of introduction of power, but that should not be developed to the detriment of navigation.

BOG RECLAMATION.

Nothing had been done in regard to the reclamation and drainage of bogs, although, in connection with the development of waterways, that was a most important work.

Mr. Tweedy mentioned that the total cost of the Commission's recommendations would be only £472,000. The suggestion of nationalisation, he said, always sent a shiver through people; the idea was repugnant to everybody, but nobody could give an intelligent reason for the repugnance, except, perhaps, that somebody else had disapproved of it.

Mr. Phillips, general director of the Grand Canal Company, criticised the Commission's recommendation of State purchase. The result of the operation of State purchase, he said, would be that there would be too much red tape, and the public, consequently, would suffer. It would be impossible to deal with labour, and political pressure would put out of court any attempt at keeping expenditure at its proper level.

At present the transport systems were capable of dealing with all the traffic in the country, and that would be so for many years to come. Within the last couple of years a large amount of traffic had been diverted to the roads, and there was little hope that any large portion of it would return to the railways and canals. The questions of population, industrial activity, military needs in case of war, etc., formed important considerations in the projection of waterways on the Continent.

"EXPLOITING THE STATE."

The question of the volume of trade in the country, the absence of industries, and so on, should be very definitely considered before the State could be exploited in the interests of any particular theory. The Government did not adopt the Railway Commissions report, and rightly so; the only business man on that Commission had been against nationalisation, and the Dublin Chamber of Commerce definitely stated its opposition to nationalisation of transport in evidence at the Canal Commission.

Sir Philip Hanson said that he trusted that the Government would not put away the Commission's report after the manner of their predecessors. Whatever way the matter was to be decided it was to be hoped that it would be by the intelligent opinion and understanding of the citizens.

INVALID BOY'S DEATH.

UNSUSPECTED ATTACK OF PNEUMONIA.

The case of a nineteen-year-old youth, who was thought to be suffering from an ordinary cold, and who died on Friday from heart failure following double pneumonia, was disclosed at an inquest at the Dublin Morgue yesterday on John Stone, 47 Royal Canal Bank, Phibsborough.

The deceased was a chronic invalid as the result of an injury to the back sustained about fifteen years ago.

The medical witness was of opinion that the disease progressed with marked rapidity owing to the low state of resistance. It was quite possible that deceased should show no sign of pneumonia.

A verdict was returned in accordance with the medical evidence.

"FISHES OF THE IRISH ATLANTIC SLOPE."

A meeting of the Royal Irish Academy, Professor Sydney Young presiding, was held at the Academy House, Dawson street, Dublin, yesterday, when Mr. G. P. Farran, B.A., contributed a paper on "The Fishes of the Irish Atlantic Slope" (seventh report). The paper dealt with the Coryphaenvididae deep-sea fishes, with large heads and slender, tapering tails, which are very plentiful off the West Coast of Ireland in water of over one hundred fathoms in depth. They are of greatest importance as furnishing food for other more useful fish, such as hake and ling, which are commercially valuable. Eleven species were met with in the course of investigations carried out by the Fisheries Branch of the Department of Agriculture.

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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE

EPINARD DECISION.

MITCHELLS WINS AT NOTTINGHAM.

SPRIG CANTERS HOME.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.
NOTTINGHAM, Monday Night.

There is some news about Epinard to-day which has the appearance of definiteness. It was stated in a London newspaper this morning that Epinard would most certainly not run for the Lincolnshire Handicap. The announcement was made on what was claimed as first-hand authority, but, unfortunately, M. Wertheimer, the owner of the colt, told the Correspondent in Paris of Reuter's News Agency this morning that Epinard will run in the Lincoln Handicap if the horse's condition on the day of the race justifies it. The stipulation is, of course, an ordinary one, and, as Reuter is a very responsible organisation, M. Wertheimer's statement must be accepted as authentic, and we can assume that the present intention of the owner is to run the colt, if he can be got fit for the race.

This takes a great weight off all our minds. I must confess to being a little astonished at the decision, but it serves to show the tremendous belief of his connections in the capacity of the colt to do anything. The appearance of the name of Epinard among the acceptances will dash the hopes of some of those owners with lightly-weighted horses, who were hoping that the defection of the French colt would have the effect of automatically raising the weights all round, and that they would be enabled to enlist the services of stronger jockeys.

AN OPEN POLICY.

It is to be supposed, now that M. Wertheimer has shown his hand, that the colt will be a strong favourite the moment the betting on the race begins in the clubs. The racing public should be rather grateful to M. Wertheimer for the open policy which he is pursuing with regard to his colt. This open policy has been characteristic of him since Epinard was first sent to this country to be prepared for the Steward's Cup.

It is to be regretted that Gwilt, the trainer of Gerald L., will not be able to get his Grand National candidate to the Colwick Park course to run for the Nottingham Handicap Steeplechase to-morrow, on account of the transport difficulties caused by the strike. The race looked like providing an interesting National trial, but it will be robbed of a good deal of its interest by the absence of Major Scott Murray's good 'chaser. Chin Chin is also a likely non-runner, but Libretto may take his chance. Another National candidate in Turkey Buzzard is a certain runner, and so are Alcazar, James Pigg and Super Man, while Soldier Bill may also be in the field. I rather doubt the ability of Turkey Buzzard to give two stones, all except a pound, to Libretto, but both may find one too good for them in Super Man, who will be the mount of Jack Anthony.

MITCHELLS' SUCCESS.

Although a number of trainers could not get the horses they intended to run to the meeting this afternoon, there were enough taking part in the various races to give plenty of interest to the proceedings. The principal hurdle race was won by Mitchells, who had rather spoiled his reputation by a failure at Gatwick. Here he won quite easily from some useful older horses. One of these was Ceinturon, a French-bred horse, who won the Newbury Cup for Lord Derby, and was later sent to Coulthwaite's for a course of hurdling.

This was his first appearance over the obstacles, and there was some support for him, although it was not so confidently expressed as is usual when a horse from this stable is really fancied. He was jumping a little stickily at first, but when he warmed to his work he shaped well. However, he was at a disadvantage among the more experienced animals, and only finished fifth. It was a performance that gave an earnest that he will do better than he did this afternoon. Barrackton Lad, whom Duller rode, was well supported, but he rather spoilt his chance by whipping round at the start. He made up a good deal of ground, and two hurdles from home was lying second to Mitchells; then he tired, and was just beaten out of a place, Mitchells winning comfortably from Ascham, with Jacksdale third.

UPROAR DISAPPOINTS.

In the Mansfield Handicap Steeplechase Mr. A. E. Kinahan's Uproar, whose trainer, Bletsoe, took the mount himself, was a very good favourite. This horse is considered as one who has an outside chance in the Grand National. He jumped big and well this afternoon, but he could not go quite fast enough, and finished third to Auchinrossie and Snapper, who beat him by five lengths and three lengths, respectively. The winner, an Irish-bred mare by Huon II., who is trained by Stokes at Market Harborough, was very well backed to beat Uproar.

Odds were laid on Sprig in the Woolaton Steeplechase, and he won in a common canter from a batch of moderate horses. Mr. Gus Hogan supplied a very hot favourite for the Annesley Hurdle, and the Fazeley horse, with Duller up, won in a trot.

TO-DAY'S CARD.

There are other interesting races to-morrow as well as the Nottinghamshire Handicap Steeplechase, which I have assigned to SUPERMAN. The Stayers' Hurdle seems to lie between Potheen and DUNCHER, and I give a preference to the latter. The Tollerton Handicap Steeplechase is a very open event, and may be won by SCOTTISH ARCHER. In this race Coulthwaite runs Prothello, whose performance will be watched with much interest, for I understand that the Hednesford trainer rather confidently expects to win the National Hunt Steeplechase at Cheltenham with him.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

NOTTINGHAM.

1.30 Race—5 to 4 agst. Royal Sport, 5 to 2 Peter Pax, 4 to 1 Run Honey, 11 to 2 Parlour Tricks, 7 to 1 Fanwinder, 8 to 1 each Blockhead and Thief, 10 to 1 any other.

2.0 Race—9 to 4 agst. Bedelia, 7 to 2 Ground Scout, 5 to 1 Life Buoy, 6 to 1 Appellant, 7 to 1 Elson, 8 to 1 each Divinity and Wee Mon, 10 to 1 each Repaid and Frizbury, 100 to 6 Rock Drill, 100 to 7 any other.

2.30 Race—1 to 4 agst. Alcazar, 7 to 1 Turkey Buzzard, 9 to 2 Super Man, 6 to 1 Daydawn, 7 to 1 each Jimmu and Soldier Bill, 10 to 1 Vaulx, 10 to 1 each Simonides and James Pigg, 100 to 6 any other.

3.0 Race—7 to 4 agst. Perisheen, 3 to 1 The Jester III., 4 to 1 Jim Langford, 6 to 1 Baalbek, 7 to 1 Duncher, 8 to 1 each Rousham and Guidance, 10 to 1 each Will Swing and Hogier, 100 to 8 any other.

3.30 Race—5 to 2 agst. Rossieny, 3 to 1 Ditchley, 4 to 1 Belmont, 5 to 1 Roundhay, 6 to 1 Prosperitz, 7 to 1 Vambrace, 8 to 1 Bold Chap, 10 to 1 each Wise Prince and Harry Lad, 100 to 8 Mayfly, 100 to 7 any other.

4.0 Race—11 to 8 agst. Jack Boore, 5 to 2 Slovenly Saint, 4 to 1 Cylvida, 7 to 1 Prothello, 8 to 1 Knockeroghery II., 10 to 1 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

NOTTINGHAM.

1.30—Royal Sport.
2.0—Octabella's Pride.
2.30—Alcazar.
3.0—Will Swing.
3.30—Rossieny.
4.0—Jack Boore.
Double Event—Royal Sport (nap) and Alcazar.

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily Mirror:—Double — Duncher (nap) and Scottish Archer.
Daily News:—Double — Alcazar and Rossieny.
Daily Graphic:—Double—Rock Dove and Prothello.
Daily Express:—Double—Royal Sport and Duncher. Safety bet—Alcazar (each way).
Daily Chronicle:—Double — Royal Sport and Chuck a Penny. "To Beat the Book"—Chuck a Penny.
Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best — Duncher. Double—Duncher and Clarkia.
Daily Mail:—Special selection—Alcazar.

NOTTINGHAM RESULTS.

1.30—TRENT (S.) HURDLE of £150. 2 m.
Mr. Tattersall's b. g. SAXHAM PRINCE, by Saxham—Galloping Ivy, 10, 12-0 ..F. Rees 1
Mr. G. Bennett's TELEPATHY, 6, 11-10 G. Duller 2
Mr. L. Bradley's KNOCKANOUR, 6, 11-10 F. Croney 3

Also ran—Navan Boy (Owner), Mr. Shepherd (J. Maloney), Tommy Long (J. Taylor). Off 1.30. (Winner trained by Poole.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst Telepathy, 9 to 4 SAXHAM PRINCE, 11 to 4 Tommy Long, 8 to 1 Knockanour, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a head; a length. Tommy Long fell. There was no bid for the winner.

2.0—NEWARK (S.) HANDICAP 'CHASE of £250. 2 m.
Mr. Parr's br. g. CERTOSA, by St. Martin—Isolde, 9, 10-10 ....S. Lyall 1
Mr. Waddington's HUIC HOLLOA, 7, 11-10 H. Tales 2
Mr. H. Brown's INGOE, 8, 9-9 ..... Truslove 3

Also ran—The Saint IV. (D. Dick), Kroongart (F. Brookes), Command (J. Mahoney, sen.), Oliviero (A. Escott), Lord Ednam (W. Stott), Fitzpicton (F. M'Cord). Off 2.0. (Winner trained by J. Lyall.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. The Saint IV., 4 to 1 CERTOSA, 6 to 1 each Command and Kroongart, 8 to 1 Ingoe, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a neck; a length. Fitzpicton fell. The winner was bought in for 120 gns.

2.30—HARRINGTON HANDICAP HURDLE of £300. 2 m.
Mr Baring's br. c. MITCHELLS, by Bridge of Allen—Scotch Opera, 5, 11-0 ..T. Leader 1
Mr Green's ASCHAM, 4, 10-4 ....F. Sully 2
Mr Black's JACKSDALE, 8, 10-8 .....A. Escott 3

Also ran—Ceinturon (F. Wootton), Barrackton Lad (D. Dick), Envoy (Truslove), Kilgubbin (Mr. T. Bird) Off 2.30. (Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—11 to 4 agst. MITCHELLS, 3 to 1 Envoy, 5 to 1 Barrackton Lad, 6 to 1 each Jacksdale and Ceinturon, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three lengths; four lengths.

3.0—MANSFIELD HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £100. 3 m.
Mr. K. Lennoxs' br. m. AUCHINROSSIE, by Huon II.—Campsie, 8, 11-13....J. Moloney 1
Mr. Murray's SNAPPER, 6, 10-10 Capt. McDougal 2
Mr. Kinahan's UPROAR, 9, 11-10 H. Bletsoe 3

Also ran:—Tipperary Tim (G. Goswell), Ruddyglow (Truslove), Ashwood (J. Mahony, sen.), Castlering (G. Wall), Wild Laird (Braithwaite). Off 3.0. (Winner trained by Stokes.)

Betting—5 to 4 agst. Uproar, 3 to 1 AUCHINROSSIE, 7 to 1 Ashwood, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by five lengths; three lengths.

3.30—ANNESLEY HURDLE of £100. 2 m.
Mr. Brown's br. g. MANISTER STAR, by Argos—Lady Kitty, 4, 10-5.....G. Duller 1
Mr. Mollekin's DRYAD, 5, 11-3....Braithwaite 2
Mr. J. Lyall's GOLDFINDER, 6, 11-7 R. Lyall 3

Also ran:—Black Miner (M. Dillon), Persicovsky (Tidey), Castile (G. Brooks), Indigo (G. Smith). Off 3.31. (Winner trained by Hogan.)

Betting—5 to 4 agst. MANISTER STAR, 4 to 1 each Goldfinder and Dryad, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by four lengths; one length.

4.0—WOLLATON STEEPLECHASE of £100 2 m.
Mrs. Partridge's ch. g. SPRIG, by Marco—Spry, 7, 12-5..........T. Leader 1
Mr. Deterding's MISTER DOOLEY, a, 11-2 Owner 2
Mr. Mollekin's PICKWELL, 5, 11-9 Braithwaite 3

Also ran:—Ballymackney (Mr. Hilliard), False Report (G. Wall), Pietbeen (Trudgill), Bright Spot (Mr. R. Steadman), Gibraltar Point (R. Lyall), Gold Watch (Rennison), Formidable (W. Purvin), Lady Alvey (W. Gurney). Off 4.1. (Winner trained by T. Leader.)

Betting—5 to 4 on SPRIG, 7 to 1 agst. Mister Dooley, 8 to 1 each False Report and Pickwell, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three lengths; three-quarters of a length. Formidable, Gibraltar Point, and Bright Spot fell.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

There is every prospect of some excellent racing to-day, especially as the Nottinghamshire Steeplechase will bring out two Grand National aspirants. Gerald L. is unlikely to compete, which leaves Turkey Buzzard to carry top weight. I believe he is very much fancied, but personally I prefer others. Daydawn seems to have lost all confidence and to have deteriorated very much from the horse he was once. Jimmu, on his running behind Chin Chin at Birmingham, must have a chance, especially as that race is likely to have brought him on, but for the winner I shall rely on Super Man or Alcazar. The first-named, at his best, is decidedly useful, as we saw at Liverpool when he ran so well in the Sefton Steeplechase; but though Alcazar has little recent form to recommend him, he is now coming nicely to hand, and it is to him I give a somewhat confident vote. Run Honey may be good enough to win the Four-Year-Old Selling Hurdle, while for the Stayers' Hurdle Handicap I like Perisheen and Baalbek. Neither, however, may run, in which case I would fall back on Will Swing. Selections:—

Four-Year-Old Hurdle—**Run Honey.**
Rufford Hurdle—**Divinity.**
Nottingham Steeplechase—**Alcazar.**
Stayers' Hurdle—**Baalbek**; if absent, **Will Swing.**
Colwick Hurdle—**Vambrace.**
Tollerton Steeplechase—**Jack Boore.**

[The figures in front of the names of the horses are an index to placings in their last three engagements—reading from right to left; (s) signifies started slowly.]

1.30—FOUR-YEAR-OLD (S.) HURDLE of £200. 2 m.

142	RUN HONEY (Mr. Lines)	Lines	10	12
022	ROYAL SPORT (Mr. Bennett)	Bennett	10	8
000	BLOCKHEAD (Mr. T. Greenwood)	Mose	10	8
200	FANWINDOR (Mr. Hands)	Saxby	10	8
	(The above have arrived.)			
202	PARLOUR TRICKS (Mr. Adams)	Newey	10	12
131	PETER PAX (Mr. Humphreys)	Smyth	10	12
00	ROCK DOVE (Mr. Atkinson)	Atkinson	10	8
034	FLIGHTY (Mrs. Bennett)	Bennett	10	8
	GANESHA (Mr. W. Black)	Smallwood	10	8
244	YOUNG MAN'S FANCY (Mr. C. Green)	C. Piggott	10	8
00	PRINCE SADIM (Mr. T. Leader)	T. Leader	10	8
000	THIEF (Lord Merthyr)	Powell	10	8
00	AM TRUE (Mr. Robson)	Bletsoe	10	8
	WEST CROFT (Mr. Skelton)	Skelton	10	8

2.0—RUFFORD (S.) HANDICAP HURDLE of £200. 2 m.

000	PROLIFIC (Mr. T. Hartigan)	C. Young	8	12	0
000	REPAID (Mr. Needham)	Newey	5	12	0
230	DIVINITY (Mr. Cope)	Newey	6	11	13
041	OCTABELLA'S PRIDE (Mr. S. Morris)	Vasey	5	11	12
212	BEDELIA (Mrs. Bennett)	Bennett	6	11	7
000	WEE MON (Mr. Baylis)	Shedden	6	11	2
404	STELLATION (Mr. Bradley)	Knowles	5	11	0
022	ROYAL SPORT (Mr. Bennett)	Bennett	4	10	10
000	FARDREE (Mr. Cockayne)	F. Lyall	10	10	8
030	CHUCK A PENNY (Mr. Kimberley)	Bullock	6	10	5
000	ROCK DRILL (Mrs. T. Greenwood)	Moss	8	10	3
	(The above have arrived.)				
320	CROCK HILL (Mr. Greville)	Downes	8	12	7
310	LIFE BUOY (Mr. Arnold)	L. Sherwood	10	12	6
031	BAC-MORE (Mr. O'Sullivan)	O'Sullivan	6	12	4
004	DUNDONALD (Mrs. Bennett)	Bennett	6	12	2
320	POLYBIUS (Capt. Powell)	Powell	5	12	1
210	FRIAR DENIS (Mr. Parry)	Bullock	8	11	13
004	ELSON (Mr. Unwin)	Smallwood	7	11	12
404	BEN BEOCH (Mr. Boutall)	Hackett	11	11	12
0	SHIREOAKS (Mr. H. Rhodes)	Coldbeck	5	11	12
000	DORNOCH (Mr. Reardon)	J. Reardon	9	11	11
012	GOLDEN DAISY (Mr. Bellerby)	Private	13	11	11
000	PHAT (Mr. Knight)	Doyle	5	11	11
310	APPELLANT (Mrs. Aldworth)	Woodman	9	11	9
020	FOOL PROOF (Mr. Kenyon)	Davis	7	11	9
420	DUG MAJOR (Mr. T. Richardson)	Doyle	9	11	8
000	FRILLS (Mr. C. Poole)	G. Poole	7	11	8
400	REGICLES (Mr. Parry)	Bullock	9	11	7
000	DOUBLER (Mr. Bolton)	Shedden	5	11	7
000	KONKY (Mr. Whiteman)	Burns	7	11	6
000	BROWN LOAF (Capt. Bletsoe)	Bletsoe	7	11	5
003	KING OF TROY (Mr. Scott)	Thomson	7	11	4
000	PLUS FOURS (Mr. R. Thorburn)	Spittle	4	11	4
0	WINNEZEELE (Mr. W. Smith)	J. Lyall	a	11	3
000	KINGTHORPE (Mr. W. Brown)	G. Armstrong	5	11	2
200	CASTALIAN (Mr. Boam)	Hyams	5	11	2
00	LADY ANITA (Mrs. Taylor)	A. Hunt	5	11	1
002	FRIZBURY (Mr. Mosley)	Mosley	9	11	1
000	UNCLE DAVID (Maj. Power)	Hatt	5	11	0
0	LUCKPENNY (Mr. Stokes)	Stokes	4	10	11
010	SUSANNA (Mr. Pearson)	C. Piggot	5	10	9
200	ROCHETTA (Capt. Harrison-Bradley)	Broadley	7	10	9
140	THE MERCHANT (Mr. Kimberley)	Bullock	6	10	8
00	DRINK-LESS (Mr. H. Brown)	H. Brown	5	10	6
000	ACE OF DIAMONDS (Mr. Giannelli)	Shedden	5	10	6
010	GROUND SCOUT (Mr. H. Brown)	H. Brown	6	10	4
400	BRUFF BATTLE (Mrs. H. Brown)	H. Brown	:	10	3
000	CONCILIATION II. (Mr. Habberfield)	J. Scott	8	10	3
000	BALLYHANDY (Miss H. Smith)	Hogan	12	10	0

2.30—NOTTINGHAMSHIRE HDCP. 'CHASE of £600. 3½ m.

121	TURKEY BUZZARD (Mrs. Hollins)	W. Payne	11	12	1
100	ARDEEN (Sir K. Fraser)	Private	7	11	6
302	JIMMU (Mr. Sanday)	Sanday	10	11	4
220	ALCAZAR (Mr. W. McAlpine)	Poole	8	11	2
300	VAULX (Mr. C. Piggott)	C. Piggot	10	10	9
203	SUPER MAN (Mr. Bankier)	Hastings	9	10	8
043	SOLDIER BILL (Mr. Hood)	Fergusson	8	10	2
100	JAMES PIGG (Mr. Corrigan)	T. Leader	11	9	11
004	SIMONIDES (Mr. Dobbyn)	Bletsoe	10	9	8
043	ARDVASAR (Maj. S. Green)	Hastings	11	9	7
	(The above have arrived.)				
140	GERALD L. (Mr. Murray)	Gwilt	10	12	6
003	FOREWARNED (Mr. Bankier)	Hastings	9	11	12
334	HARRISMITH (Col. Birkin)	W. Payne	9	11	8
100	DAYDAWN (Baron de Tuyll)	F. Hartigan	11	11	8
002	ALL WHITE (Lord Wavertree)	Fergusson	10	10	12
140	WATT TYLER (Mr. Harper)	Private	7	10	7
241	LIBRETTO (Mr. Whitaker)	Whitaker	9	10	2
100	MANBY GATE (Sir M. McAlpine)	Poole	9	10	1
000	ROYAL CHANCELLOR (Ld. Westmorland)	Westmorland	9	9	11
000	BARCA (Col. Croft)	Law	10	9	3
103	CHAKA (Mr. A. Bennett)	Private	13	9	7

3.0—STAYERS' HANDICAP HURDLE of £150. bout 2½ m.

110	PERISHEEN (Mr. H. Stokes)	Smyth	9	12	2
141	BAALBEK (Mr. Mollekin)	Vasey	6	12	0
303	WILL SWING (Mr. Cribbon)	Clancy	6	11	8
000	CASTLE IN SPAIN (Mr. Needham)	Saxby	8	11	1
300	MURKY PAST (Mr. Osborne)	F. Lyall	5	10	8
000	MAYFLY (Mr. Hoyle)	Reader	7	10	5
000	LADY CHARITY (Mr. Dollar)	Fitzgerald	7	10	0
	(The above have arrived.)				
212	POTHEEN (Lord Londesborough)	Coulthwaite	9	11	12
	SAON (Mr. H. Hunt)	H. Hunt	6	11	10
103	SIMON'S GLORY (Mr. Reed)	R. Payne	8	11	9
402	DUNCHER (Mr. Russell)	Brady	8	11	9
130	TOWER HILL (Mr. Waller)	Smyth	6	11	8
000	HOGIER (Mr. Earl)	Earl	7	11	8
300	KIWI (Mr. C. Piggott)	C. Piggott	6	11	8
104	SQUIRE ERLEGH (Mrs. Russell)	T. Leader	6	11	7
020	GOLDEN MELODY (Mr. Samuel)	Poole	11	11	7
012	THE JESTER (Mr. R. Davison)	E. Piggott	6	11	6
431	CHALLOW (Mr. Kershaw)	Anthony	8	11	6
200	MINTOI (Mr. McEvoy)	Private	10	11	6
420	LORD THANET (Mr. Ingram)	Hamshaw	7	11	4
301	HAPPY (Mr. J. Scott)	Thomson	6	11	4
410	JIM LANGFORD (Mr. Clegg)	F. Brown	6	11	4
300	THE CUBAN (Mr. Campbell)	Thomson	8	11	2
200	THE JESTER III. (Mr. R. Young)	Tomlinson	8	10	12
320	POLYBIUS (Capt. Powell)	Powell	5	10	12
400	LADY BRAMSHOT (Mr. D. Barnett)	Earl	5	10	12
000	CALL THE GAME (Mr. Bruston)	Barthropp	7	10	12
000	CHICAGO (Mr. Aston)	L. Sherwood	9	10	11
230	GUIDANCE (Mr. O. Rayner)	East	5	10	10
300	ROUSHAM (Mr. Groves)	Bletsoe	9	10	6
003	KING OF TROY (Mr. J. Scott)	Thomson	7	10	2
030	MANISTER BELLE (Mr. Merrell)	Merrell	6	10	2
200	PALATIAL (Mr. Gifford)	Private	7	10	1
200	CORYBANT (Mr. Priestley)	Slim	6	10	0
00	MISCHIEF VII. (Mrs. H. Watts)	Private	9	10	0

3.30—COLWICK HANDICAP HURDLE of £100. 2 m.

210	HARRY LAD (Mr. W. Wilson)	Vasey	4	11	1
040	ROUNDHAY (Mr. Reed)	Pope	5	11	0
020	BELMONT (Mr. Somerset)	Coulthwaite	6	10	13
00	VAMBRACE (Mr. Green)	C. Piggott	4	10	12
000	MORE RAIN (Mr. Rose)	Sanderson	13	10	12
000	MAGOYA (Mr. N. Hardy)	F. Lyall	5	10	10
300	MURKY PAST (Mr. Osborne)	F. Lyall	5	10	10
000	MAYFLY (Mr. Hoyle)	Reader	7	10	4
	(The above have arrived.)				
	REVIVAL (Mr. O'Sullivan)	O'Sullivan	5	12	7
120	PROSPERITZ (Mr. Counsell)	Earl	10	12	0
013	DITCHLEY (Mr. F. Brown)	F. Brown	5	11	13
001	AEROLITE (Lady Kirk)	Kirk	7	11	12
012	STOCKWOOD (Mr. J. Rhodes)	Peacock	8	11	12
	DR. BARNEY (Mr. Groarke)	Doyle	6	11	12
000	KILVEMNON (Lord Merthyr)	Powell	8	11	12
210	CLARIKA (Mr. Cope)	Newey	8	11	12
044	SETANTA (Mr. Davidson)	Hastings	5	11	10
0	CARTHAGE (Sir G. Murray)	Coulthwaite	4	11	8
000	SANS DOUTE (Mr. Saunders)	Clement	6	11	8
001	EASY ACCESS (Capt. Harrison-Bradley)	Broadley	7	11	7
100	QUICK MARCH (Mr. Hache)	Pope	5	11	5
004	BOLD CHAP (Mr. Holmes)	Hogan	7	11	4
300	CLACKMANNAN (Mr. C. Green)	C. Piggott	5	11	3
201	ROSSIENY (Mr. A. McAlpine)	H. Harrison	5	11	2
030	WISE PRINCE (Mr. Kenyon)	J. Dodd	6	11	1
000	GARRETT (Mr. Kenyon)	J. Dodd	6	11	0
000	STREAK OF LIGHT (Mr. Gifford)	Private	5	11	0
000	BELGIAN BOY (Mr. T. Richards)	Tabor	5	10	12
030	FERDIA (Mr. Whitaker)	Whitaker	7	10	10
000	FRILLS (Mr. Poole)	Poole	7	10	9
000	MAY KING (Mr. Murray)	Bletsoe	5	10	8
000	SILVANUS (Mrs. J. Reardon)	J. Reardon	5	10	7
000	AMPERE (Lord Cawley)	Powell	7	10	7
220	SOME DANCE (Mr. D. Stewart)	D. Harrison	8	10	6
004	YONNA (Lord Wavertree)	Fergusson	4	10	5
0	HERE'S HOPING (Mr. R. Young)	Tomlinson	5	10	4
004	TOWN BIRD (Mr. Methven)	Powell	5	10	3
000	NAIL (Mr. Redmond)	T. Leader	5	10	2
000	MANISTER BELLE (Mr. Merrell)	Merrell	6	10	2
	HOLBORN (Mrs. E. Smith)	Private	8	10	2
302	MANVER (Mr. Laurie)	Scullion	5	10	1
400	IRISH COUSIN (Mr. Mackley)	H. Hunt	5	10	1
000	BALSCELL (Miss Coulman)	J. Lyall	4	10	0
300	TRANSFORM (Mr. Barry)	D. Rogers	8	10	0
000	THE BOATSWAIN (Mr. Reardon)	J. Reardon	4	10	0

4.0—TOLLERTON HANDICAP 'CHASE of £150. 2 m.

321	JACK BOORE (Mr. Hooley)	Orbell	8	12	6
000	NAVANA (Mr. Kenyon)	Davis	10	11	8
4	PROTHELLO (Mr. Johnstone)	Coulthwaite	a	11	7
021	BALLYCAPPLE (Col. Birkin)	W. Payne	6	10	8
00	AHMED KHAN (Mr. Black)	Bissill	5	10	7
004	DUTCH DOLL (Mrs. Bird)	Private	6	10	0
	(The above have arrived.)				
420	GOOD POINTS (Mr. Filmer-Sankey)	H. Brown	9	12	7
	DOLDRUMS (Mr. Baron)	Whitaker	7	12	5
203	THE HEIR (Mr. Harrison)	H. Harrison	10	12	2
400	ARDUOUS (Capt. Norrie)	Bennett	7	12	0
122	PROVIDENCE (Mr. Poole)	Poole	6	11	11
0	MIDDLETHORPE (Mr. Ismay)	Hastings	6	11	10
021	BLUE FIRE (Mr. Kershaw)	Anthony	6	11	10
103	DRUMREE (Mrs. Sanday)	Sanday	8	11	9
	SCOTTISH ARCHER (Mr. W. Smith)	Riste	a	11	6
404	COLESTOWN (Mr. Deterding)	R. Payne	9	11	6
032	RATHMORE (Mr. Hood)	Fergusson	7	11	5
33)	DOWN SOUTH (Mr. Kenyon)	Davis	7	11	5
311	SLOVENLY SAINT (Capt. Speed)	Jackson	7	11	2
030	CRAGGIE ROCK (Mr. T. Hartigan)	C. Young	9	11	0
001	BUGGY (Mr. Bromley)	H. Harrison	6	10	13
100	LAYMAN (Mr. Cope)	Newey	9	10	13
203	LITTLE QUAKER (Mr. Thomson)	Private	5	10	12
004	CYLVIDA (Mr. Falcon)	Earl	7	10	9
010	SANDY (Mr. P. Gilpin)	Hastings	9	10	7
240	KNOCKROGHERY II. (Lord Londesborough)	H. Brown	10	10	6
004	NOTHING ON (Mr. Stratton)	Stratton	9	10	4

To be run under I.N.H.S. Rules and General Conditions of the Meeting.

WARD UNION HUNT STEEPLECHASES,

OVER THE FAIRYHOUSE COURSE.
EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 21st, 1924.

The following Race Closes on TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 30th JANUARY, 1924, with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin:—

THE IRISH GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE. A cup value 50 sovs., with 750 sovs. added, of which the second will receive 60 sovs., and the third 40 sovs. An open handicap. The highest weight in the handicap not to exceed 12st. 7lb. Horses originally handicapped at 12st. or over to carry half penalties only. Entrance, 2 sovs. About three and a half miles.

Clerk of the Course—Mr. George F. Gradwell, Drogheda.—(Advt.)

PUNCHESTOWN RACES,

APRIL 29th and 30th.

Entries Close TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), with Mr. F. H. Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin, for the following Race:—

SECOND DAY.

LA TOUCHE MEMORIAL CUP, with 400 sovs. added. A steeplechase for horses five years old and upwards, the property, and in their possession, on and since January 1st, 1924, of members of, or of subscribers of not less than 10 sovs. to any established pack of Foxhounds or Staghounds in Great Britain or Ireland, or a Pack of Harriers qualified to hold a Point-to-Point Meeting under Rule 1, I.N.H.S. Rules, or of Officers of the Free State or British Army, who have, either individually or through their regiments, subscribed to the funds of any such hunt during the season 1923-1924. Riders—Those qualified to enter and who are also "Qualified Riders" under I.N.H.S. Rules. About four miles and a quarter, over the Old National Hunt Cup Course. Entrance, 3 sovs.

Full programme of the various events to be run at the Meeting can be had from Mr. D. Mangan, 63 Dawson street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

LEOPARDSTOWN CLUB FIRST MARCH MEETING,

SATURDAY, MARCH 1st, 1924.

The following Races CLOSE on WEDNESDAY NEXT, January 30th, with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin (Telegraphic Address—"Turfclub, Dublin"):—

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. One mile and a half.
THE DUN LAOGHAIRE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. One mile and a half.
THE CARRICKMINES HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. One mile and a half.
THE SILVERPARK STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles and about 175 yards.
THE BRAY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles and about 175 yards.
THE LEOPARDSTOWN STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Three miles and about 100 yards.
—(Advt.)

THE WATERFORD HUNT POINT-TO-POINT RACES

Will be held on
THURSDAY, 28th FEBRUARY.
Subject to the sanction of the I.M.F.H. Association.
—(Advt.)

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

The Clerk of the Course states that racing at Gatwick on Wednesday and Thursday is certain.

Entries close to-morrow for the La Touche Memorial Cup (with 400 sovs. added), to be run on the second day of the Punchestown Meeting. Particulars appear in our advertising columns. Full programme of the various events to be run at Punchestown on 29th and 30th April can be had from the Clerk of the Course, Mr. D. Mangan, 63 Dawson street, Dublin.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY'S NOTTINGHAM MEETING

PAPER.	1.30 RACE.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.0 RACE.	3.30 RACE.	4.0 RACE.
Sportsman	Run Honey.	Bedelia.	Super Man.*	Baalbek.	Belmont.	Slovenly Saint.
Man on the Spot	Parlour Tricks.	Bedelia.	Alcazar.	The Jester.	Roundhay.	Jack Boore.
Sporting Life	Run Honey.*	Octabella's Pride.	Super Man.	Simon's Glory.	Roundhay.	Navana.
Man on the Spot	Run Honey.	Bedelia.	Alcazar.*	Simon's Glory.	Roundhay.	Jack Boore.
Westminster Gazette	Royal Sport; if ab., Run Honey.	Bedelia.	Libretto.	Duncher.	Clarkia.	Rathmore.
Daily News	Royal Sport.	Bedelia.	Alcazar.*	Perisheen.	Rossieny.	Jack Boore.
Daily Chronicle	Royal Sport.*	Chuck a Penny.	Alcazar.	Duncher.	Clarkia.	—
Daily Express	Royal Sport (next best).	Bedelia; if ab., Appellant.	Alcazar.*	The Jester; if ab., Duncher.	Rossieny; if ab., Roundhay.	Buggy; if ab., Prothello.
Daily Mirror	—	Plus Fours.	Libretto; if ab., Alcazar.	Duncher.	Stockwood.	Scottish Archer.
Daily Graphic	Rock Dove.*	Octabella's Pride.	Libretto; if ab., Alcazar.	Baalbek.	Clarkia.	Prothello.
Star	Royal Sport.	Chuck a Penny.	Libretto.	Duncher.	Ferdia.*	Scottish Archer.
Evening News	Blockhead.	Kingthorpe.	Soldier Bill.*	The Jester.	Rossieny.	Scottish Archer.*
Evening Standard	Young Man's Fancy.	Plus Fours.	Alcazar; if ab., Jimmu.	The Jester.	Rossieny.	Scottish Archer.
Times	Royal Sport.	Octabella's Pride.	Alcazar.	Baalbek.	Roundhay.	Scottish Archer.
Daily Mail	Peter Pax.	—	Alcazar.	Perisheen.	Roundhay.	Buggy.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date—January.	Meet.	Hour.
Wednesday, 30th	Dunboyne	1.30
February.		
Saturday, 2nd	Rathgate	1.30

THE KILDARE.

January.		
To-day	Eadestown Chapel	11.0
Thursday, 31st	Dunlavin	11.0
February.		
Saturday, 2nd	Celbridge	11.0

THE MEATH.

January.		
To-day	Rathbeggan	11.0
Thursday, 31st	Patrickstown Cross	11.0
February		
Friday, 1st	Somerville	11.0

THE WARD UNION.

These hounds were able to keep their appointment on Saturday at Priestown Cross-roads, after having cancelled their fixtures from the previous week owing to the flooded state of the ground, which a few fine days have considerably improved. The much-lamented death of the Master's sister, Mrs. T. P. Tyrell, caused his absence from the field, which was probably the biggest of the year, when the hounds moved off to try for an outlier, which had been reported in the vicinity overnight, and, following well-kept information, a quick find was made in Killegeland. Starting in the Ashbourne direction, the pack wheeled to the left at the old Killegeland Churchyard, and ran by Raystown Lodge across the Broadmeadow River to the Beggars' Moat and on by Foxhall, crossing the Sutherland River to Crock Hill, where they checked for a moment. Recovering the line to the right, they ran by Hammondtown to Cookstown, and crossing the road at Ballybin, they ran on over the Broadmeadow River by Raystown to Killegeland again. Without checking, they crossed the Ratoath road into Harlockstown, and ran on by Kilrue fox covert before bearing to the right by Mullinahob, and running straight to Tankardstown, where a safe capture was effected, after a good, though circuitous, gallop of one hour, crossing a very big country.

QUEEN'S COUNTY HOUNDS.

A BRILLIANT RUN.

These hounds met at the Carlow and Athy side last week, and drew first a famous covert, Moyad, but without success. A few fields and a short road jog brought us to Lennon's, where we had a quick find. One fox was coursed after a few fields, and the pack had no trouble in killing him afterwards. Went back and found another, and this fox took certainly more than half an hour before breaking. It is a large close covert, and when he did break we were lucky that hounds were got on quickly, and in a body. They started to run hard at once. As most readers could not be familiar with the line they ran, there is no use in giving names of townlands. Suffice it to say this fox brought us over some of the best hunting ground in Queen's Co., desperately heavy in places, and some very formidable fences, and on we ran, with, luckily, a good many visitors to enjoy the sport, till we found ourselves at Sling, after 40 minutes' really brilliant, having had only one very slight check crossing a road. Here we got up to our fox, and those in front viewed him. But he kept on for 15 minutes more, hard and straight all the time, till we found ourselves amongst the tombs under the historic Round Tower of Tinahol, to be run into and killed in the next field; 55 minutes of as brilliant a run as most people are privileged to see in a lifetime of hunting.

LOUTH HOUNDS.

Saturday, 26th, Mooretown.—Finding a fox in the covert, hounds ran very hard through Smarmore, and up the hill towards Drakestown, but, swinging left-handed, came back by Drakestown House to Kilpatrick. Here there was a long check, and on recovering the line hounds hunted slowly by Ballypousta on towards Skidog, then right-handed by the Traveller's Rest to Killdernock, where scent failed. The Master took hounds on to the bog, where the hunted fox jumped up, and was hunted fast by Blakestown to Broadlough, just beside Ardee, where nothing more could be made of it, after a good hunt of one hour 50 minutes; point five miles.

Found next at Foolstown, where there was a leash of foxes. Hounds divided, but the field got away with eleven couple, and ran fast, first towards Bengerstown; then, swinging to the right, ran nearly to Aclare. Our fox turned back here, and, running by Newtown Chapel and Saint John's Fort, came into Glenkieran, where hounds were stopped, after running hard for 45 minutes, which finished a good day.

CITY AND SUBURBAN HARRIERS.

The above club will run from St. Patrick's Football Club, Botanic avenue, to-night at 8 o'clock sharp. Members are requested to be punctual in attendance. Old "Cities" are invited to turn out.

HILLSIDE HARRIERS.

These hounds meet to-morrow (Wednesday) at Rathfarnham at 1.30 o'clock.

KILL HARRIERS.—Meet, February, 1924—Saturday, 2nd, Rathmolyon (12.30); Tuesday, 5th Raharney; Saturday, 9th, Enfield; Tuesday, 12th, Drinadaly Bridge; Friday, 15th, Parkstown (Ballivor); Monday, 18th, Rathcore (12.30); [illegible] 22nd, Robinstown (Dunderry) (12.30); [illegible] 26th, Longwood; Friday, 29th, Newhaggard, 12 o'clock.

BILLIARDS.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The heat between Major H. L. Fleming and Mr. L. Jacobs in the first round of the Amateur Championship was resumed at Piccadilly Hall, London, yesterday, when Fleming, in possession of a strong lead on Saturday, again held the upper hand. During the afternoon's play his best breaks were 67, 50, 82 and 87, Jacobs' best being 69 and 44. Interval scores:—Major Fleming, 1,500; Mr. Jacobs, 758.

Outplaying his rival again at night, Fleming won his match very decisively. He was always the stronger player and at night averaged 12 per innings against Jacobs' 7. Fleming's best breaks were 47, 33, 65, 35, 41 and 45, against Jacobs' 38, 42 and 59, Fleming winning by 947 points. Final scores:—Major H. L. Fleming, 2,000; Mr. L. Jacobs, 1,053.

SMITH v. NEWMAN.

Smith was in brilliant form in the opening session of his 8,000 exhibition match with Newman at Cardiff, and ran to his points with the splendid average of 133. Responding to Newman's opening effort of 65 with 126, he in successive visits followed with 153, 73 and 142. Interval scores:—Smith, 666; Newman, 119.

At night play was more even and until near the close only moderate. Smith carried an unfinished break to 104 and later added 75, 88 and 265, Newman's best being 148 and 256 (unfinished). Closing scores —Smith, 1,240; Newman (in play), 883.

RUGBY.

ASSOCIATION OF REFEREES.

A Committee meeting will be held in the Moira Hotel at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

NATIONAL BANK F.C.

At the annual general meeting, held on Friday in the Bankers' Club, the following officers were unanimously elected:—President, P. G. Alton; Vice-President, R. S. Sandys; Captain, E. A. H. Heard; Hon. Sec., E. H. Maunsell; Committee, J. Woods, W. R. Barnet, R. P. Seale, H. L. Kenyon, F. Conroy, M. J. D'Alton.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Royal City of Dublin v. Sir P. Dun's (Hospitals' Cup semi-final) Lansdowne road, 2.45.

Royal City of Dublin Hospital—H. M. Westropp; J. and D. Cussen, H. Deane, J. Quigley; D. Malan, J. Cherry; R. D. Crawford, V. Fielding, R. Forsyth, R. Harte, J. Martin, J. McGinn, H. Nelson, C. Wilson.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Lincolnshire Handicap, Lincoln—Noriale, at 10.55 a.m. yesterday.

Grand National Steeplechase, Liverpool—Martin Fitz, at 9 a.m. yesterday.

NOTTINGHAM MEETING.

Stayers' Handicap Hurdle—Tedney, Simon's Light.

Annesley Hurdle—Rock Arrow.

Wollaton Steeplechase—John Peel.

Nottinghamshire Handicap Steeplechase—Chin Chin.

Tollerton Handicap Steeplechase—Tullygorey.

Rufford Selling Handicap Hurdle—The Ock, Alindos.

Nottingham engagements — Scottish Knight, Mebos, Ballymacrory.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Selling Handicap Hurdle, Warwick — The Boatswain.

Horreyland Selling Hurdle, Gatwick—Cruiser Arc.

Surrey Handicap Steeplechase, Gatwick—Arravale.

Salford Handicap Steeplechase, Manchester—Holdcroft.

February Handicap Steeplechase, Haydock Park—Phantom Bold.

Ashton Handicap Hurdle, Haydock Park—Caltrop.

Farm Handicap, Haydock Park—Conky.

Woking Handicap Hurdle, Sandown Park, and Clifton Handicap Hurdle, Manchester—Morning Star.

Prince Albert Hurdle, Sandown Park—Simon's Light.

King William Handicap Steeplechase, Chelmsford—Bellini.

Birmingham Stakes, Birmingham—Spatchcock.

All engagements—Toot Toot, Dornoch (dead).

COURSING.

BALBRIGGAN.

A SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL.

Judge—Mr. M. Davin. Slipper—W. O'Donoghue.

BREMORE STAKES—For 16 puppies. Winner, £30; second, £10; two dogs, £3 each.

Mr. James Sharkey's Sandy's Selection beat Mr. C. Murray's Lily of Killarney II.
Mr. T. Thompson's Lively Countess beat Mr. P. Nolan's Sneaky Lass.
Mr. L. Mooney's Dolly Comfort beat Mr. J. J. Healy's Ally Cracker.
Mr. E. Vickers's Harfleur beat Mr. P. Fox's Maiden Honey.
Mr. J. S. Griffen's Irish Greeting beat Miss Clarke's Stamullen Lass.
Mr. P. Clarke's Sure Victory beat Mr. G. Carton's Winter Star.
Mr. H. Mussen's My Lord beat Mr. T. Moore's Happy Sneak.
Dr. Cooney's Brierly Hill beat Mr. Jos. Byrne's Jungle Boy.

II.
Sandy's Selection beat Lively Countess.
Dolly Comfort beat Harfleur.
Sure Victory beat Irish Greeting.
Brierly Hill beat My Lord.

III.
Dolly Comfort beat Sandy's Selection.
Sure Victory beat Brierley Hill.

IV.
F. b. Dolly Comfort (Beauty's Boy II.—Dainty Dish) beat r. f. d. Sure Victory (Victorious Ally—Boyne Maid).

BALBRIGGAN STAKES—For 12 all-ages. Winner, £26; second, £10; third, £5.

Mr. Jos. Leech's Lively Sport beat Mr. J. Wills' Golden Chance.
Mr. Jos. Shaw's Sandiland beat Mr. M. Dalton's Bon Vivant.
Mr. J. Cunniam's The Sheik beat Mr. P. Harte's Hybla.
Mr. T. Brennan's Castlering beat Mr. M. Bailey's Cook's Bridge.
Mr. M. Lynch's Honey Bee IV. beat Mr. Jos. Leech's Lavelly.
Mr. M. Dillon's My Duffer beat Mr. D. Fitzpatrick's Don't Know IV.

II.
Sandilands, a bye; Lively Sport, drawn.
Castlering beat The Sheik.
Don't Know IV., a bye; Honey Bee IV., drn.

III.
Sandilands beat Castlering.
Don't Know IV., a bye.

IV.
R. f. d. Sandilands (Royal Dictator—Lady Charming) beat f. d. Don't Know IV. (Evador—Tinty Queen).

WHITE HART STAKES AND O'CONNOR CUP—For 16 all-ages. Winner, £25 and Cup; second, £10; two dogs, £2 10/- each.

Mr. W. Duffy's Wee Connie beat Messrs. Rooney and Moore's Queenie's Pet.
Mr. John Markey's Overtime II. beat Mr. James Daly's Daly's Malt.
Mr. G. Griffin's Flamis Beauty beat Mr. G. Fitzharris's Don't Fuss.
Mr. John Duffy's Harmonicon Lad beat Mr. H. Mussen's Money for Nothing.
Mr. Jos. Shaw's Scamp beat Mr Jos. Donnelly's Baldrick's Pride.
Mr. J. S. Griffin's Irish Boy beat Mr. T. J. M'Mahon's Meddling Mack.
Mr. James Durnan's Young McGregor beat Miss Langan's Laones.
Mr. Jos. Dunne's Killenaule beat Mr. J. Purfield's Peace Victorious.

II.
Overtime II., a bye; Wee Connie, drawn.
Harmonicon Lad, a bye; Flamis Beauty, drawn
Irish Boy beat Scamp.
Young M'Gregor beat Killenaule.

III.
Overtime II., a bye; Harmonicon Lad, drn.
Irish Boy beat Young M'Gregor.

IV.
W. bd. b. Overtime II. (Mild Day—Just in Time) beat bd. d. Irish Boy (Prairie Bird—Wild Sea).

The revival of the Balbriggan Meeting, under the auspices of the new local club at Flemington, yesterday was attended with a considerable measure of success, the coursing yielding capital sport, and the attendance comparing more than favourably with the biggest company seen on the grounds up to the disbanding of the club, some five years ago. The trials, taking them on the whole, were excellent, but a number of the greyhounds were rather hard run through the hares coming back, and there was more than one withdrawal owing to distress. Perhaps the worse sufferer in that respect was Irish Boy, who, up to running his third course in the White Hart Stakes with Young McGregor, seemed to have the prize at his mercy, for he had got off lightly. A trimming hare, however, stood up for a long, tiring course, and when slipped in the decider with Overtime II., which had been indulged in two byes, he was incapable of putting up a serious challenge against the white, which beat him almost pointless.

The puppies were a fairly useful lot, several of them showing good pace, but the real stayer was Dolly Comfort, which in all her courses went up in front, and proved the easiest of winners, leading Sure Victory in the deciding course by as many as three lengths, and having all the best of both ends of it. It was, however, a very near thing for the flag in the trial between Irish Greeting and Sure Victory, the opening points scored by the first-named being about counter-balanced by the cleverness of Sure Victory in one of the best courses of the day. Mr. Joseph Shaw's Belfast kennels provided another stake winner when Sandilands romped through the Balbriggan Stakes, but had Lively Sport not been very hard run in his first course he might have given trouble to the ultimate winner. As it was, he had to be drawn.

ATHBOY MEETING—TO-DAY.

Judge—Mr. Kenney. Slipper—D. Egan.

RATHCORE STAKES AND O'GROWNEY CUP—For 13 all ages that never won more than two courses in any one stake (byes to count).

Messrs. W. and P. Sweeney's Swear the Truth agst. Mr. B. Caffrey's Foch II.
Mr. J. Murphy's Cheerful Dew agst. Mr. N. Smith's P.C. 49.
Mr. J. Watt's What's What agst. Mr. J. Smith's Our Comb.
Mr. T. Gilmour's Bruiser agst. Mr. S. Sweeney's Insurgent Boy.
Mr. P. Keary's Pretty Doreen II. agst. Mr. H. Coughlan's Finola III.
Mr. P. Kearney's Damn Dark agst. Mr. L. Lynch's Lady of the Rose.
Mr. M. Kelligan's Merry Might a bye.

HILL OF WARD STAKES AND PRESIDENT'S Cup—For 8 dog and bitch puppies.

Mr. J. Corcoran's That's That agst. Mr. T. Darcy's Deuce of Diamonds.
Mr. W. Fitzsimons' Titania III. agst. Mr. G. Griffith's Ginger Girl.
Mr. W. Tyrrell's Countess Peggy agst. Mr. P. Burke's Forge Water.
Mr. P. Conlon's Clotted Cream agst. Mr. P. Fox's Free Time.

BALLYBOY STAKES—For 5 all ages.

Mr. W. Doyle's I'm Telling You agst. Messrs. C. Baker and J. Swan's Section Leader.
Mr. P. Callen's Oldcastle Hope agst. Mr. J. Newman's Jacket Green.
Mr. T. Gilmour's Flying Star a bye.

BADMINTON.

IRISH UNION LEAGUE COMPETITIONS.

JUNIOR "A."

SECTION I.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Dalkey	9	6	1	2	14
Monkstown	10	2	4	4	8
Sandymount	7	2	5	0	4
Pembroke II.	7	1	4	2	4
Elgin II.	9	2	5	2	6
Sandford	9	8	1	0	16
SECTION II.					
Ben Edar	6	4	1	1	9
Evora	4	0	3	1	1
Dawson Street	9	9	0	0	18
Merrion	4	1	2	1	3
Aylesbury	6	0	4	2	2
Herbert	7	0	4	3	3

JUNIOR "B."

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
SECTION I.					
Adelaide	8	5	2	1	11
St. Andrew's	8	3	5	0	6
Clontarf	8	8	0	0	16
St. Jude's	7	0	5	2	2
Evora II.	6	1	4	1	3
SECTION II.					
Rathmines	6	6	0	0	12
Belmont	6	4	1	1	9
Gregg	6	0	5	1	1
Rathfarnham	4	0	4	0	0
St. Philip's	8	3	3	2	8

JUNIOR "C."

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
SECTION I.					
Dalkey II.	7	3	3	1	7
Sandymount II.	6	0	6	0	0
Gregg II.	5	0	5	0	0
Florence	8	7	0	1	15
Epworth	8	6	2	0	12
SECTION II.					
St. Philip's II.	7	2	5	0	4
Belmont II.	7	2	3	2	6
Rathmines II.	8	7	0	1	15
St. Jude's II.	6	0	4	2	2
St. Kevin's I.	6	3	2	1	7

JUNIOR "D."

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
St. Kevin's II.	4	0	4	0	0
Central	6	3	1	2	8
Suburban	4	3	0	1	7
Donnybrook	6	2	3	1	5

The finals of above sections will be played off at Ballsbridge next Friday night.

BOXING.

HEAVY-WEIGHT ASPIRANTS.

Tex O'Rourke, the American trainer, who is endeavouring to discover an England heavy-weight champion, produced his three new hopes at Hoxton Baths, London, yesterday afternoon in three ten-rounds contests. The men appeared splendidly trained, but in no round was their skill conspicuous. They are all young, however, and, though they have much to learn, it is possible that a good fighter is amongst them.

J. Ingleton, the big Nottingham lad, beat Tom Ireland, of Hoxton, on points; but Ireland, who was a last minute substitute for Guardsman Morris, of Caterham, was out of condition, and was down in the second round for a long count, but fought back so well that he had little the worse of the encounter at the finish against a much heavier and stronger opponent.

Billy Prestage, of Rugby, another of the hopes, was knocked out in the first round of his bout with P. O. Spiller, of Chatham; while the third candidate from the American Training School, Leslie Price, was beaten on points by Joe Mullins, of Catford.

AT THE RING.

At The Ring, Blackfriars, London, last night the meeting between George M'Kenzie, Scottish Feather-weight Champion, and Kid E. Symonds, Plymouth, in a fifteen rounds contest at 9st. 2lb., promised an interesting bout, but the promise was not realised. It was a scrambling affair, with much holding, for which Symonds was to blame, and after several cautions he was disqualified, properly, in the fifth round and the fight awarded to M'Kenzie.

HINDLEY v. CORBETT.

The programme at the National Sporting Club, London, last night was just a club event, fifteen rounds between Bill Hindley, of Horwich, and Harry Corbett, of Hackney, at 8st. 6lb., being the outstanding event. Hindley recently gave the bantam-weight champion, Johnny Brown, a capital fight, and last night he again boxed very well, showing speed, forcefulness and a sound defence in beating Corbett, after a good contest, on points.

HOCKEY.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE (3) v. GLASGOW UNIVERSITY (2).

Glasgow University opened a brief Irish tour yesterday at Claremont road, when they met Royal College of Science under very fair conditions, and, as the result of a fast game, went down by three goals to two. Two short of their full side, due to casualties sustained in the match with Edinburgh University the visitors put up a good game, and with just a little more luck might have made a draw of it.

First into their stride Glasgow had the best of the start, and for some little time the home defence was hard pressed by a quick, rushing forward line, which, in addition to pace, showed good stick work. The defence held out for ten minutes or so, and then a slow clearance by McNeil, following a penalty corner, gave Ashton his chance, and Glasgow took the lead.

Subsequently the College forwards improved. From holding their own they began to press, but found J. C. Baird and Mitchell Martin a very capable pair of fulls while in goal G. S. Robertson was responsible for several clever clearances. Slowly the pressure began to tell, and goals by Lusk and Glanville in order gave the College a lead of two goals to one, on which score they changed ends.

In the second half again Glasgow were first away, and with a little more finish in the circle, should have drawn level. However, Spence and Odlum rose to the occasion, and nothing came of the attacks. Then Rooke sent his wing away, and a good run and centre wound up by McCormick putting the College further ahead. For quite a space they dominated the game, but bad shooting by McCormick and Glanville threw away several promising movements. This appeared to re-act on the whole side, and, although they defended stubbornly, their efforts became very disjointed. As a result, the initiative passed to the visitors, and fast rushes by centre and left wing looked like yielding scores. Only one came, W. H. Baird beating McNeil after the latter had saved from Ashton, who was responsible for a grand break away from midfield. Glasgow continued to have the best of the exchanges right to the end, but failed to draw level, and had to admit defeat by the odd goal in five. The Y.M.C.A. ground was in splendid order and promises well for the trial games which are due to be played this week.

Teams:—

Royal College of Science—N. McNeil; E. E. Spence, E. J. Odlum; G. Rooke, T. G. Webb, J. P. Mann; R. Kelly, A. E. M'Cormick, R. R. Glanville, D. Lusk, F. Paltridge.

Glasgow University—G. S. Robertson; J. C. Baird, W. Mitchell Martin; J. M'Creadie, A. McCracken, J. S. Brown; F. E. Giles, J. Paterson, J. H. Ashton, W. H. Baird, D. B. Cook.

Umpires—Rev. J. S. Crockett and Mr. M. Millar.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY v. GLASGOW UNIVERSITY.

Glasgow University will play the second match of their tour this afternoon, when they meet Dublin University in the College Park at 2.30 p.m. The following are the teams:—

Dublin University—R. A. Heatley; J. H. Tuke, W. A. Packham; N. S. Fox, W. L. Connell, G. H. Spiller; J. M. Eyre (capt.), J. A. Leonard, W. R. Aykroyd, W. P. MacDonogh, W. E. Acheson.

Glasgow University—G. S. Robertson; J. C. Baird, W. Mitchell Martin; J. McCreadie, A. McCracken, J. S. Brown; F. E. Giles, J. Paterson, J. H. Ashton, W. H. Baird, D. B. Cook.

INTER-PROVINCIAL MATCHES.

The Leinster Five met yesterday evening, and selected the following teams to represent Leinster in the inter-provincial trial matches on Friday and Saturday next:—

LEINSTER v. MUNSTER—C. W. Gibson (Kingstown G.S.); J. B. Macnamara (Mid-Surrey), H. J. Brown (Three Rock Rovers) (capt.); J. Peatt (Railway Union), S. G. Ronan (Three Rock Rovers), D. R. Rowlands (Monkstown); T. Browner (Railway Union), C. Nathan (Railway Union), V. Gordon (Railway Union), W. P. MacDonogh (Dublin University), W. E. Acheson (Dublin University).

Umpire—Mr. W. F. McDonnell.

LEINSTER v. MIDLAND COUNTIES — W. Fenton (Monkstown); C. Blair White (Three Rock Rovers), Rev. E. J. Devlin (Kingstown G.S.); M. D. Fox (Dublin University), W. Chiddick (Railway Union) (capt.), G. H. Spiller (Dublin University); J. M. Eyre (Dublin University), R. R. Glanville (Royal College of Science), J. F. Mahony (Three Rock Rovers), H. Waller (Railway Union), R. Leitch (Monkstown).

Umpire—Mr. C. Bruton.

MUNSTER LADIES' TEAM.

The following have been picked to represent Munster in the inter-provincial matches:—Misses O. Olden (U.C.C.), E. Williams (U.C.C.), Mrs. Harmon (Southern Maids); Misses H. Goggin (U.C.C.) and Dr. Ledlie (S.M.), Misses I. Cummins (U.C.C.), A. Donegan (U.C.C.), Dr. O'Callaghan (U.C.C.), M. Fudger (Waterford), W. Jackson (C.I.), P. Cummins (U.C.C.), F. Coad (Waterford), and E. Hamilton (U.C.C.). Subs.—Miss J. Fudger and Mrs. Jackson.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY (2) v. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY (1).

After defeating Liverpool University on Saturday Queen's University concluded their tour by beating Manchester at Fallowfield yesterday. Belfast attacked vigorously, but their opponents defended splendidly, there being no score at the interval. Changing ends the game was more evenly contested, but Belfast were more effective in the circle, Wilson scoring twice. Just before the finish MacFarlane, the Manchester captain, scored.

THE WEAKNESS OF IRISH HOCKEY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I have read Mr. McMahon's "lament" in your issue of Friday last, and so persuaded am I that he is wrong, both in his reasons for this alleged decadence and in the remedies he suggests, that I venture to trespass on your space in reply. Admitting that the standard of Irish hockey is poor, I give three reasons for this:—(1), A "lean" period, consequent on a dearth of star performers, due to pure coincidence; (2), too many leagues and cups; (3), insufficiently strict umpiring; (4), bad grounds.

No. (1) speaks for itself, and as for No. (2), the veriest novice knows that hockey is divided into "hockey" and "cup hockey," and that in the latter game finesse and science usually are conspicuous by their absence. Practically our whole season is occupied with league and cup fixtures, and by the time our clubs have waded through a league, the ramifications of which occupy most of the letters of the alphabet, they find themselves engaged in the cup contests. When they have had a shot at the Irish Cup, the Mills' Cup, the Railway Cup, the Junior Cup, the Minor Cup, and the Midlands Cup, and, if possible, the Brown, Jones, and Robinson Cups, there is no time left for fixtures where players may learn how to play the game of hockey for the game of hockey's sake.

Regarding No. (3), no one can have anything but admiration for that little band of devotees, the Umpires' Association, but I fear they are too lenient to the faults of young gentlemen eager to achieve the distinction of winning a gold medal or even a silver one with a gold centre. Under-cutting, body work, and obstruction—in some instances brought to a fine art—are rampant, and are neither frequently nor severely penalised. As for our playing pitches, the conditions of which leave much, and in some cases, everything to be desired, they are doubtless a tremendous handicap to the learner; but their upkeep, even as they stand, is very expensive, and most of our clubs are not overburdened with riches.

To say that Irish hockey is below standard because our players do not get up at unearthly hours to train and skip, and because they indulge in the occasional wild orgie of an "all night" dance and smoke cigarettes is, in my humble opinion, bunkum. When I played hockey for Ireland we kept fit; we played once or twice a week, we danced and smoked the normal amount, and we did not absolutely confine ourselves to cold water as a beverage. An odd dance never did a tap of harm to a trained man, and I shudder to think of the retort had anyone requested, say, the Messrs. O'Connor, Clifford, McWilliam, or Johnstone to skip before breakfast.

I fear that we did not worry our heads overmuch over any "solemn duty to our country." We were young; we were pleased and proud to play for our country; we regarded it as a game, not a business, and as our records will tell, we held our own pretty well.—Yours, etc.,

S. C. D. HARRISON.

Dublin, January 28th, 1924.

Maids 2nd A v. Optimists. At Foxrock, 3.30.

GOLF.

BRITISH OPEN CHAMPION DEFEATED.

The 72 holes match between Havers, the British Open Champion, and Gene Sarazen, American Professional Champion, was concluded at Los Angeles on Sunday. Sarazen won by 5 and 4. On the first half of the match at San Francisco on Friday the American gained a lead of three holes. At the ninth hole on Sunday Havers was only two down, but at the end of the round the American was again three to the good. In the final round Sarazen increased his lead, and won as stated. Throughout there was little to choose between the drives. Havers was brilliant at times with his long second shots, but in the short mashie shots from 50 to 100 yards Sarazen was the superior. The putting on both sides was unsteady. During the day Sarazen had six "birdies" (one under par), while Havers had only two—both at the eighth hole.

Sarazen did the last 14 holes in 56, Havers taking three more. The scores for the 32 holes were—Sarazen, 129; Havers, 133. The scores for the entire match (68 holes) were—Sarazen, 280; Havers, 286.

Rain fell heavily throughout the afternoon round, but 2,000 spectators followed the play to the end.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.—A match-play competition will be played during February. Entries close with the Hon. Sec., 15 T.C.D., at 6 p.m. to-day. The club is anxious to arrange friendly matches with other clubs. Challenges should be sent to the Hon. Sec., 15 T.C.D.

GREYSTONES.—To-day, ladies' medal. Men's medal on February 9.

ANGLING.

CLONMEL ANGLERS' ASSOCIATION.

Clonmel and District Anglers' Association, a progressive body which is doing good work for the protection and promotion of river fisheries, elected Lord Donoughmore President at their annual meeting; Mr. J. W. Buggy, solicitor, Vice-President; Mr. John Power, Secretary, and Mr. John Foley, Treasurer. It was decided to call a meeting of anglers re the Government proposal to increase licences and other changes. A suggestion to form an Anglers' Association for South Tipperary was discussed and left to committee. It was reported that 54 cormorants and three seals, great river pests, had been destroyed. Thanks were voted to the Civic Guard for helping to put down poaching.

MOTOR CYCLING.

THE RAMBLERS.

The first Reliability Trial of the New Year will be the Cruess-Callaghan Cup competition, organised by the Ramblers' Club. The course is of an unusually sporting nature, and the distance is only a little over fifty miles. The Trial, which is a closed one, starts from Terenure next Saturday at 2 p.m., and the first man is due in at Dundrum about 4.38 p.m. In addition to two water-splashes, the ascents of the Bornabreena Hairpin, Farmyard lane, and the Waterfall of Bricks, will be included in the run.

CRICKET.

NORTH-WEST CRICKET UNION.

The annual meeting of the North-West Cricket Union was held in the City Hotel, Derry, on Saturday evening last, when Mr. William Parke, one of the Vice-Presidents, presided over a large gathering of club representatives.

The Secretary (Mr. Cecil D. Milligan) submitted the annual report, which referred to the great loss sustained by the Union through the death of the President, Brigadier-General Ricardo, C.M.G., D.S.O., and said that, apart from this irreparable loss, the season 1923 had proved the most successful in the history of the Union. A larger number of clubs participated in the competitions than ever before; the subscriptions from patrons amounted to the largest sum ever received in one year; the income was the greatest, and they succeeded in converting an adverse balance of £10 into a credit balance of £40 odd, after having discharged all liabilities. The report pointed out the great need that there was for a properly equipped ground in the city, and said some effort should be made soon to remedy this state of affairs.

The report and financial statement were adopted.

Captain J. C. Herdman, D.L., was unanimously elected President of the Union in the room of the late Brigadier-General Ricardo. Major E. C. Herdman, H.M.L.; Messrs. Basil A. T. McFarland, Wm. Parke, J. H. McConnell, E. G. Cary, R. H. Smyth, Wm. Hyndman, Hugh C. Cochrane, Wm. Dickson, W. B. Smyth, and J. J. Semple were re-elected Vice-Presidents; and the Right Rev. Dr. Peacocke (Lord Bishop of Derry and Raphoe), Alderman M. S. Moore (Mayor of Derry), Rev. J. L. McGettigan, Mr. Hugh Laird, Mr. T. O'Kane, Mr. R. W. Glass, R.M.; Mr. H. A. Agnew, and Mr. John King were also elected Vice-Presidents.

Mr. Cecil D. Milligan was re-elected Secretary. Bishop Peacocke, Colonel Bellamy, D.S.O.; Mr. E. G. Cary, Mr. Hugh Laird, and Mr. Wm. Parke were unanimously re-elected the Protest Committee.

It was decided to have a first Senior League division and a second Senior League division. Second elevens of senior teams not to be eligible for entrance to the Senior Leagues.

The Secretary was requested to write the Leinster Union and the Northern Union with a view to arranging representative matches in the coming season.

LEINSTER CRICKET UNION.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Leinster Cricket Union, to be followed by a meeting of secretaries to arrange fixtures, will be held in Mills' Hall, Merrion Row, this (Tuesday) evening at 7.30 o'clock sharp. The punctual attendance of club representatives is particularly requested.

MERRION CLUB.

The general meeting was held recently, at which it was decided to enter two teams for the coming season's competitions, the 1st XI. to enter for the Intermediate League and the 2nd for the Junior League. The officers elected fo rthe coming season are as follow:—Captain—E. T. Cochrane; Vice-Captain—C. J. Little; Hon. Sec.—C. C. Moran; Hon. Treas.—E. W. Morris; Committee—E. T. Cochrane, C. J. Little, C. C. Moran, E. W. Morris, R. H. Short.

FOREIGN MAILS.

POSTING DAYS IN DUBLIN AND BELFAST.

Correspondence should be posted in time for the evening mails to London on the dates given below:—

Argentina, Bolivia*, Chile, Paraguay, and Uruguay:—	
By Houlder Line	Jan. 29
By Nelson Line*	Jan. 29
By Donaldson Line	Jan. 30
Ascension and St. Helena: Direct	Jan. 29
Australia: Via Suez	Feb. 6
Bahamas: Via New York	Jan. 31
Belgian Congo (excl. Katanga): By Belgian packet	Feb. 4
Do.: By French packet	Feb. 10
Bermuda: Via New York	Jan. 31
Brazil (Rio Santos): By Nelson	Jan. 29
Do. (all parts): R.M. Line	Jan. 30
Do. (Rio, Santos): By French pkt.	Feb. 5
British Honduras and Turk's Island: Via New York	Jan. 31
Canada (inc. Mag. Post): Direct	Jan. 30
Do. (exc. Mag. Post): Via New York	Jan. 31
Canary Is.: By Aberdeen	Jan. 29
Cape Verd Is.: Direct	Jan. 30
Central America (excl. Panama and Costa Rica), Cuba, and Mexico: Via New York	Jan. 31
Ceylon: Via Suez	Jan. 30
China (all parts): Via Siberia*	Jan. 31
Do. (Hong Kong and S. China)*: Via Suez	Jan. 30
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Colombia (Pacific Coast), Chile*, Panama, Bolivia and Peru: Via New York	Jan. 31
Do. (exc. Pacific Coast): Direct	Jan. 31
Costa Rica: Direct	Jan. 31
Dutch East Indies: By P. and O.	Jan. 30
East Africa (Kenya, Uganda, and Zanzibar): By P. and O.	Jan. 30
Ecuador: By Gulf Line	Jan. 31
Egypt, Cyprus, and Palestine: By P. and O.	Jan. 30
French Congo and Senegal: By E. D.	Feb. 7
Gambia: By E.D.	Feb. 7
Guiana (Br., Fr., and Du.): By Dutch packet	Jan. 31
India, Aden, Irak, Persia and Seychelles. Via Marseilles	Jan. 30
Irak (Baghdad) and Persia (as far as Bushire): By Air Mail	Feb. 6
Irak and Persian Gulf (by Overland Mail): Haifa-Baghdad**	Jan. 30
Jamaica: Via New York	Jan. 31
Japan: Via New York	Jan. 31
Madeira: By Union-Castle	Jan. 31
Mauritius: Via Durban	Jan. 31
Newfoundland (inc. Mag. Post). Direct	Jan. 31
New Zealand: Via Suez	Feb. 6
Sierra Leone: By E.D.	Feb. 4
South Africa, Nyasaland, etc.: Direct	Jan. 31
Straits Settlements, Siam, French Indo-China, Nth. Borneo, etc.: Via Suez	Jan. 30
United States: By Cunard	Jan. 31
Venezuela: by Dutch packet	Jan. 31
West Coast of Africa (see also Gambia, Ivory Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone): By E.D.	Feb. 4
West Indies (Leeward, etc.): Via New York	Jan. 31
Do. (Barbados, etc.): By Dutch packet	Jan. 31

*Correspondence to be forwarded by these routes must be specially so addressed.
**Special marking and fee of 3d. per oz.

INWARD.

The following mails were received in London yesterday:—Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika Territory, by s.s. General Voyron; Jamaica, by s.s. Bayano; Trinidad and Guianas, by s.s. Macoris; India, Egypt, Ceylon, Straits Settlements, Philippines and Hongkong, etc., by s.s. Kaisar-i-Hind; South Africa and Madeira, by s.s. Walmer Castle; U.S.A., Canada, Japan, Shanghai, and North China, Hong Kong, Bermuda, Bahamas, British Honduras, Mexico and Central America, Panama and West Coast of South America and Leeward Islands, by s.s. President Roosevelt; Ceylon and Australia, by s.s. Ormonde; Argentina and Brazil, by s.s. Orania.

Due to-morrow—Canada, Newfoundland, and Japan, by s.s. Antonia.

Thursday—Egypt, by Italian packet; Dutch East Indies, Straits Settlements, North Borneo and Philippine Islands, by ss. Vondel; Argentina and Brazil, by ss. Massilia.

Saturday—Air Mail from Irak (Baghdad) and Persia (as far as Bushire); Sierra Leone, Gold Coast, Nigeria and Liberia, by ss. Adda.

MANSION DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Dhu Varren, a large unoccupied house in the Portstewart road, Portrush, was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. The kitchen and billiard room, on the ground floor, are the only two rooms which are more or less intact. This house was the home of the Beresford family for many years.

Insurance at low rates with Phœnix Assurance Co., Ltd., 10 12 Trinity street, Dublin.—J. R. Warner, Manager. Agents everywhere.—(Advt.)

The Air Ministry announces that "pilots of aircraft intending to land at Penshurst, Kent, are warned that sheep and cattle may be found grazing on the landing ground, and that they should, when practicable, make circuits of the ground before landing in order to give the caretaker sufficient time to move the stock to a safe position."

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

BRITISH FUNDS BUOYANT. BANK STOCK, ROYAL BANKS, TEXTILES AND SHELLS STRONG.

There was again a ring of cheerful confidence about the Stock and Share markets on 'Change yesterday, and the way prices of representative Securities went ahead again was of continued satisfaction to holders and brightened sentiment to a further appreciable extent. The 5 p.c. National Loan fully paid Stocks fell back, but the £60 paid Scrip again improved. British Funds were quite buoyant, with important further gains. Bank of Ireland Stock and Royals were strong markets. There was little or no change in Breweries and Distilleries. Marconi Ord. rallied further. Home Rails, without being busy, were favourably disposed. Tramways were firm. Dunlop Rubber Ord. were hard. Parent Tyre Shares were neglected in a firm market. Alliance Gas remain good in tendency. Henry Street Warehouse Shares were on sale, but did not change hands. Textiles were all more or less strong at considerable gains, even on the improved prices current at the end of the week. Tobaccos were steady. Shell Transports were in keen request.

In National 5 p.c. Loan the fully-paid fell ¼ to 97¾ ½, and a small lot of this Stock transferable by deed gave way ¾ to 97, and the Instatement Scrip fully-paid fell ½ to 95⅝ ½, but the £60 paid Scrip rose from ¼ to ¾, and finally 1 prem. The fully-paid Instatement realised 93 ex June coupon.

British Funds were quite buoyant. Consols rose ⅛ to 56¾ ⅝, War Loan 5 p.c. ¼ to 100⅜ 7/16, Victory Bonds 1 3/16 to 91⅛, and Irish Land 2¾ p.c. 7/16 to 56 11/16.

In Corporation Stocks, etc., Dublin 3½ p.c. repeated 66½.

Among Banking Securities, Bank of Ireland Stock rose 5½ to 266½ ex-dividend and bonus of £9, less tax. Royals rose ¼ further to 14¾, but Nationals fell ¼ to 19, and Munster and Leinsters repeated 6 1/16.

As regards Breweries and Distilleries, Guinness Ord. repeated 40½, and J. Jameson and Son Debs. 6 11/16. Dublin Distillers Ord. were rather firmer at 25s.

Grand Canal Pref. were offered at 70s., compared with 68s. 6d., the previous price.

Marconi Ord. rose 6d. to 39s. 9d., but Radio Common fell 3d. to 21s., and the Prefd. realised 18s. 10½d.

Home Rails were quietly supported. Great Northern Ord. rose ⅛ to 67½, but the Pref. fell ½ to 61½. Midland Great Western repeated 37¾, and the 4 p.c. Debs. 64. Great Southern Pref. were steady at 58½, and the Guaranteed at 60½, but the Debs. rose 1½ to 72.

In Trams, Dublin United Pref. rose ⅛ to 9⅞, and the "B" 3½ p.c. Debs. repeated 68½.

Dunlop Rubber Ord. rose 1½d. to 8s. 6d.

Alliance Gas rose ½ to 7.

In Drapery Shares, Todd Burns Ord. were firm at 16s.; and in Bakery Shares, Boland Debs. repeated 6.

Among Manufacturing Shares, Textiles were buoyantly disposed. Bleachers rose 2s. to 49s. 6d., Dyers 9d. to 60s. 3d., Calicos 2s. 3d. to 34s., 34s. 3d., Coats 1s. to 63s. 9d., Courtaulds 1s. 6d. to 64s., and Cottons 3d. to 50s. 3d. bid, but Coats £10 Pref. fell 1/16 to 11 11/16, and the 6 p.c. £1 "B" Pref. 3d. to 23s. 9d. for a small lot. Lever Bros. 8 p.c. Pref. rose 1½d. to 20s. 1½d. Dublin and Wicklow Manure Pref. repeated 10s., and Helys Ord. 26s. 6d.

In Trading, etc., Burke Ord. repeated 62s., and Dublin Artisans' Dwellings 6¼.

Other business done included Shell Transports, which rose 2s. to 87s. 6d., 87s. 9d., 88s., and Imperial Tobaccos repeated 71s. 6d.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash marked "c."

Nat. Loan..(97¾)	97¾ ½
Do. Deed......(97¾)	*97
Do. Instal. Scrip (96)	95½
Do. (£60 paid) (¼ pm.)	¾ *1 pm.
Do. Instal. (f.p.)	93 x coupon
Consols ....(56)	56¾ ⅝
5% War Loan (100⅛)	100⅜ 7/16
Do. Deed...(99¾)	100¼
Victory Bonds.(89⅞)	91⅛
War Bonds 1928	105
2¾% Land Stk.(56¼)	56 11/16
Dublin Stock.(66½)	66½c
Bank of Ireland (270)	*266½c x.d. & b.
Mun. & Lein...(6 1/16)	6 1/16
National ....(19¼)	19
Royal ....(14½)	*14¾
Dublin Dist...(25/-)	25/-
Guinness ....(40½)	40½
Jameson Deb...(6 11/16)	6 11/16
Power Pref......(21/-)	20/9
Canal Pref.	70/-a
Marconi ...(39/3)	39/9
Radio Com...(21/3)	21/-
Do. Pref.(19/6)	18/10½
G.N. Ord.........(67)	67½
Do. Pref.......(61¾)	61½
G.S.W. Pref....(58½)	58½
Do. Guar.......(60½)	60½
Do. Deb........(70½)	72
M.G.W. Ord....(37¾)	37¾
Do. 4% Deb...(64)	*64
Cork & Muskerry (52/7½)	52/7½
Dub. Tram Pref.(9¾)	9⅞
Do. B Deb..(68½)	68½c
Alliance Gas.......(6½)	7
Bolands Deb.........(6)	6
Todd Burns....(16/-)	16/-
Bleachers ....(47/6)	49/6
Brad. Dyers..(59/6)	60/3
Calicos...(32/-)	34/- 4/3
Coats ....(62/3)	63/3
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Do. B Pref.(24/-)	*23/9
Cottons ....(50/-)	50/3
Courtaulds...(62/4½)	64/-
Wicklow Manure Pref. (10/-)	10/-
Hely's Ord..(26/6)	*26/6
Lever 8%....(20/-)	20/1½
Burke Ord.....(62/-)	62/-
Dub. Art. Dwell.(6¼)	*6¼
Dunlops ....(8/4½)	8/6
Imp. Tob.....(71/6)	71/6
Vickers Tax Free Pref.	16/10½
Shells.(86/-)	87/6 7/9 8/-

*Odd lot; b bid, a asked.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount	5 p.c. 5th July, 1923.
Deposit	2 p.c. 5th July, 1923.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day	Feb. 4	Feb. 18
General contango day	Feb. 5	Feb. 19
Ticket day	Feb. 6	Feb. 20
Account day	Feb. 7	Feb. 21

BELFAST.

Exchange resumed business after week-end in more buoyant tone. War Loan further advanced to 100 7/16. Consols were also higher at 57 3/16. Northern Bank "A" repeated 5½, Westminster Bank 16 5/16, Belfast Corporation 5 p.c. 100¼; the 5½ p.c. Stock repeated 102. Great Northern Railway Stock repeated 67. London Midland and Scottish Ord. better at 105. Fine Cotton Spinners 47s. 7½d., Dunville 11 1/16. Robertson Ledlie and Ferguson brought 6½. Milligen and Co. repeated 9s., Imperial Tobacco 71s. 6d. White Tomkins and Courage Ord. improved 6d. to 24s. 6d.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BIRMINGHAM.—More bidding for Motors. Rovers rising, Singers and Standards strong, Austin Debentures rose to 50, Dunlops quiet, but harder. Austins, 2/7½; Bluemels, 33/3; Calthorpes, 4/3; Components, 4/-; S.T.D., 5/4½; Enfields, 21/3; Humbers, 23/9; Rolls, 28/-; Rovers, 13/9; Singers, 24/-; Standard, 49/9; Swifts, 6/-; Triumphs, 30/-; Vauxhalls, 10/-; Dunlops, 8/6; Parent Deferred, 37/-; Harper Bean, 1/1½; Calcotts, 38/-.

MANCHESTER.—Demand for Textiles unabated. Spinners very strong. Bleachers, 49/6-50/-; Pref., 21/-21/6; Calicos, 33/6-34/-; Pref., 18/-18/3; Dyers, 61/-61/6; Pref., 19/6-20/-; Cottons, 50/-51/-; Pref., 18/9-19/3; Spinners, 48/-48/6; "Slubbers," 8/-8/6; Coats, 63/-64/-; Ship Canal, 8½-8⅝; Pref., 8¼-8⅜; Velvets, 27/6-28/6.

TRAFFICS.

Lancashire United Tramways, week to January 22, trams £3,013, increase £179, omnibus £1,337, increase £544; Great Southern of Spain Railway, week to January 19, increase pesetas 7,447; Barsi Light Railway, week to January 5, increase Rs.7,900; Bengal and N.W. Railway, week to January 5, decrease Rs.22,231; Rohilkund and Kumaon Railway, week to December 29, increase Rs.15,877; Lucknow Bareilly State Railway, increase Rs.11,465.

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COMPANY NOTICES

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY (IRELAND).

Notice is hereby given that the next Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Proprietors will be held in the Minor Hall, Howard street (adjacent to Great Victoria street Station), Belfast, on Wednesday, 13th day of February, 1924, at 12.30 o'clock p.m., to receive a Report from the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1923, for the election of Directors and Auditors, for the Declaration of Dividends, and for the transaction of the General Business of the Company.

Dated this 28th day of January, 1924.

J. B. STEPHENS, Secretary.
[illegible] Street Station, Dublin.

LONDON STOCKS STRONG.

RISES ALL DOWN THE LIST.

The Stock markets opened yesterday quite cheerfully, mainly on the hope that there would be a satisfactory settlement in the railway dispute, though the improvement in the foreign exchange rates helped considerably. The tone, however, was good enough to cause further bear repurchasing and some investment buying, more particularly on Continental and Colonial account, home business remaining small. Towards the close prices tended to ease off somewhat. The Gilt-edged market was strong, and among British Funds rises were numerous. Consols gained ½ to 57. The 3½ per cent. War Loan at 96½ rose ¼. The 5 per cent. War Loan at 100¼ also gained ¼. Funding rose 1½ to 88; the Conversion Loan at 76½ improved ½; Irish Land Stock put on a point at 58; Local Loans at 65 rose ½. India Loans were very firm; the 3 per cent. at 57, the 3½ per cent. at 65, and the 7 per cent. at 113, each rose 1; while the 5½ per cent. rose ½ to 101.

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES were not very active, but the tone was good. French Loans rose, the Fives at 23 and the Fours at 18 both gaining ½. Czecho-Slovakia Bonds rose 1½ to 95½. Argentine Recessions at 72 rose a point. Brazil Funding of 1908 at 84 gained 1; Spanish Fours rose 1½ to 66; Japan Fours of 1905 fell 1 to 93½.

HOME RAILS responded freely to the hopes of a strike settlement, and there were many most satisfactory advances. Great Westerns rose 1 to 109½; London, Midland and Scottish Ord. at 105½ rose 1½. The 4 per cent. at 83 and the Pref. of 1923 at 82 both gained a point. London and North-Eastern Pref.-Ord. rose 1 to 85½, while the Def.-Ord. rose ½ to 33½. The 1st Pref. at 82 and the 2nd Pref. at 81 both rose a point. Southern Pref.-Ord. rose 1 to 84½; the Def.-Ord. at 40 gained 1, the "A" Stock rising 1½ to 36½. The 5 per cent. Pref. rose 1 to 100½. Metropolitan rose 1½ to 76½, Districts 1 to 55½, and Underground Electric ¼ to 3¼.

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILWAYS had quite a good market. "Canpacs" were unchanged. Argentine continued to rise, and were very strong. B.A.G.S. rose 1 to 85, Pacifics 1 to 76, Westerns 1½ to 74, and Centrals 2½ to 73½. Grand Trunk Pacific Debs. at 44 were a point better. San Paulos Ord. at 147½ gained 1; Argentine Great Western Ord. also rose 1 to 72. Antofagasta Ord. at 85 rose ½. Bahia Blanca at 77 and Central Uruguay at 53½ and United of Havana at 84½ each rose ½.

OIL SHARES STRONG.

RISE IN SHELLS.

A strong start was made in the Oil share market yesterday following the news that Pennsylvania Crude had further advanced to $4.25 per barrel, bringing it to the highest point touched last year, while the current quotation represents a rapid recovery from the low price of $2.60 touched in November last. An outstanding feature of strength was once more provided by Royal Dutch, which were in keen demand, both on local and Amsterdam account, the buying taking the price up smartly. About midday selling was encountered from Amsterdam, which was followed by realisations on this side, operators arguing that the advance had been too rapid, particularly in relation to Shells. Consequently, Royal Dutch were sold and Shells bought. Later, however, Royal Dutch came into renewed demand and moved up again, finishing strong and appreciably higher on the day. Shells changed hands freely at advancing prices, and among other leading counters Anglo-Persians received increased attention, and moved up, and Burmahs also strengthened. Mexican Eagles commanded only a moderate amount of attention, and left off easier. V.O.C. Holdings came into strong demand on the news that Barroso Well No. 3 has been brought in under complete control, and is estimated to be flowing at the rate of 600 tons per day. Among Trinidad issues, Leaseholds were a good market, but other members of the group presented nothing of special interest. Roumanians were firm, with attention devoted mainly to Phoenix, which improved. Lobitos were a firm market, and Anglo-Ecuadorians also made a good showing. Closing prices:—

M.U. Jan. 22				
⅝	Agwi Petroleum	⅝	1⅛	
3¼	Anglo-American	3¼	3⅜	
1⅛	Anglo-Ecuadorian	1⅛	1⅜	+ ⅛
1⅞	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1½	1⅞	+ ⅛
22/6	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	22/1½	22/7½	+ 0/1½
22/6	Do. 9 p.c. 2nd Pref.	22/3	22/9	+ 0/3
2⅝	Do. Ord., issued 5½ p.c.	2⅝	2⅞	+ ⅛
88⅛	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	87	89	– 1
2⅛	Apex Trinidad	2⅛	2⅜	
1⅞	Attock	1⅛	1⅜	
⅛	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	[illegible]	[illegible]	
8/0	British Burmah (8/-)	7/9	8/3	
5/1½	British Controlled	5/4½	5/7½	+ 0/1½
6/3	Do. Pref.	6/0	6/6	
4⅞	Burmah	4⅝	4¾	+ ⅛
23/9	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	23/6	24/0	
1/7½	Caltex	1/9	2/0	
12/0	Dacia Romano	[illegible]	[illegible]	
4⅛	Eagle Transport	4⅛	4⅜	
100	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	99½	100½xd	
101	Do. Bearer	100½	101½xd	
4/3	General Pet. Trinidad A.	4/9	5/3	
—	Indo Burmah	0/3	0/9	
16/3	Kern River (10/-)	17/6	18/0	+ 0/3
6⅛	Lobitos	6⅛	7⅛xd	+ ⅛
15/6	Mexican Eagle	16/4½	16/10½	– 0/3
15/6	Do. Pref.	16/0	17/0	– 0/3
11/10½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	12/3	12/9	+ 0/1½
10/9	North Caucasian (10/-)	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Oilfields Egypt	1/0	1/6	
2/6	Peru Syndicate	1/0	1/6	
18/6	Phœnix	18/10½	19/4½	+ 0/3
1/1½	Premier Oil	1/0	1/6	
—	Rumanian Consolidated	11/9	12/3	
—	Royal Dutch	39½	40	+ ⅞
/10½	Scottish American	0/7½	0/10½	
4⅛	Shell Transport	4⅜	4½	+ ⅛
9¾	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9⅛	9⅜	
23/7½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	23/9	24/3	
3/3	Spies (10/-)	3/7½	3/10½	+ 0/1½
7/10½	Steaua Romana	8/7½	9/1½	+ 0/1½
5/0	Tankers Pref.	5/10½	6/4½	– 0/1½
⅛	Trinidad Central	[illegible]	[illegible]	
1⅛	Trinidad Lease	1⅛	1⅜	+ ⅛
6/6	United Brit Trinidad	7/0	7/6	
12/9	Ural Caspian	[illegible]	[illegible]	
4/0	Uroz Oil	4/1½	4/7½	+ 0/1½
1⅛	V.O.C. Holdings	[illegible]	[illegible]	+ ⅛
1⅛	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	

BUSINESS DONE.

Anglo-Ecuadorian New—25/-, 4/6, 3d., 4½d. **Anglo-Egyptian** B—23/9. **Anglo-Persian Ord.**—52/6, 3/1½, 6d., 50/7½, 3/6, 50/3¼, 11½d., 53/9, 50/7½; **do. 8 p.c. Pref.**—22/7½, 6d., 3/3. **British Controlled Common**—6/7½, 6d., 4½d.; **do. Pref.**—6/8¼, 9d., 7½d., 6d., 6½d. **Burmah**—*96/3, 2/6, 3/9. **Kern River**—17/10½, 17/-, 18/-, 17/6, 9d., 17/-, 9¼d., 3d. **Lobitos** (x.d.)—6 57-64, ⅛, ⅛, £6 18/6, 7/-, 7½d., 10½d., 17/-; **Mexican Eagle Ord.**—16/10½, 17/3, 12/7½, 6d., 4½d., 3d.; **do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref.**—1½d., 19/-, 6d., 18/10½, 19/-. **Phœnix Oil**—19/4½, 3d., 1½d., 19/-, 6d., 18/10½, 19/-. **Royal Dutch**—40 1/32, 39½, ⅛, 40⅛, ⅛, 39¼, *40⅛, 40¼, 40⅜, 39¼, ⅛, 40. **Shell**—87/6, 6/10½, 8/1½, 7/2½, *7/-, 8/1½, *6/6, *9/-, 4/4½, 5/-, 7/3. **Trinidad Leaseholds**—29/0½, 3d., 30/-, 29/-, 1½d., 8/1½, 9d. **V.O.C. Holdings**—34/0½, 3/9, 4/4½, 7½d., 3/-, 3½d., 7/3, 3/6, 10½d., 4/1½, 5/-, 1½d.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

TEA SHARES.

Market strong and prices rising:—Amalgamated Ord., £19⅞+1½; British Indian, £21+½; Ceylon Plant, 78/6+3d.; Chargola, 52/-+3/6; Consolidated T. and L. Ord., £39⅞+1d.; Doom Dooma, 75/3+5/3; East Assam, £28+1⅛; East Produce, 56/3+9d.; Empire, 61/3+1/3; Imperial Ord., 39/9-3d.; Jhanzie, £22+1⅛; Jokai, 72/-+3/3; Jorehaut, 72/6+3/-; Lungla, 29/6-6d.; Nedeem, 59/3+2/3; Singlo Ord., 66/6+3/-.

Business Done:—Assam Frontier, 38⅛, 7⅛, 8⅛; Attaree Khat, 10½, 11; Budla Beta, 42⅛, 3, ⅛, ⅛; Deundi, 19/7½, 9d., 20/-; Moabund, 50/9, 2/-, 49/10½, 50/-; New Sylhet, £5 8/9, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, £5/11, £5/16, 5⅝, ⅛, £5/14, 5⅛, ⅛; Pabbojan, 5⅛, ⅛; Amalgamated, 19⅛, 19, ⅛; Ceylon, 78/6; Doom Dooma, 74/4½, ⅛, 3; Empire of India, 61/-, 60/6, 9d., 1/3, 3d.; Imperial, 40/6, 40/-, 3d., 39/3, 39/-, 9d.; Jokai Assam, 71/3, 70/-, 4½d., 1/-, 2/-; Jorehaut, 70/9, 3/9, 3/-, 2/9, 4/-, 2/6; Lungla-Sylhet, 30/9, 1/-, 29/6; Nedeem, 57/9, 8/-, 7/6, 9/3; Singlo, 65/-, 7/-, 4/6, 9d., 5/6, 6/6.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

ENGLISH VELVET AND CORD DYERS.—The directors' report shows profit £92,928. After making usual provisions—depreciation £18,839, interest on Debentures £8,379, loss on investments realised £492—the net profit is £65,219, and brought in £36,035. The dividend on the Ordinary is increased from 8 to 10 per cent. for the year; £10,000 to reserve, £5,000 to employés' benefit fund, and £32,146 forward.

FOSTER PORTER AND CO.—Final dividend of 1/-, plus a bonus of 6d. per share less tax, making 12½ per cent. for the year.

GLASGOW SUBWAY RAILWAY.—Directors, as liquidators, are now in a position to distribute the company's assets. These permit payment to Preference shareholders of 16/1 per share, and to Ordinary shareholders of 10/6 per share. Cheques will be sent as soon as may be after the meeting.

HUNTER BARRY AND CO.—Final dividend on Ord at rate of 10 per cent. per annum.

"SNIA-VISCOSA" (TURIN).—Dividend of 8 per cent.

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CLOSING PRICES.

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CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols.......56⅛-57⅛+ ¼	3½ Conv.Ln. 76¼-76¾+ ¼
War Ln.3½% 95¾-96¾+ ¾	Irish Lnd 2¾%... 57-59+1
do. 4½%........ 96-97	India 3%......56-58+1
do. 5%....... 100-101½+ ¼	do. 3½.......64-66+1
do. 4% (Tax free) 101½-102½	do. 5%.....100¾-101½+ ¼
Fund'g L'n...86½-87½+ ¾	do. 7%......112-114+1
Victory Bds. 90½-91½	Local Loans 64½-65½+ ½
	Sudan 5½ p.c. 107-109*

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Alberta 4½ 1943...92-94	Nigeria 6%...110-112
Aust.Com.5½% 100-102+1	Q'sland 4,1940-50 76-79
do. 6%...104-106	do. 4½, 1920-5...95-97
Brit.Col 4½ 1941...92-94	do. 6% 1930-40 99-103
Canada 4%...88-90+1	S. Africa 4% Cns 85-87
do. 4½ 1920-5...100-101	S.A'stral'n'd,'40-60 82-84
Cape 3½ Cons....77-79	do. 5½%......100-102
Ceylon 6%...105-7*	do. 6½%.......104-6*
Natal 3½ '34....79-81	Victoria 4,1940-60 84-85
N.S.W.4½1922-7 96-98+1	do.6½%1923-5...100-2*
do. 5½ 1922-7... 99-101*	W.Aust'n4% 42-62 81-83
do. 5½% 1922-32 100-102+1	do.5½%1930-40 102-104
do.6½% 1930-40 104-6*	
N.Zeal'd 4,'29....91-93	

AMERICAN RAILS.

M.U. Jan. 22.				
—	Atchison	116	118*	+1½
—	Baltimore	68	70*	
—	Chesapeake	86	88	
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	18½	19½	– ½
30	Erie	29½	30½	– ½
—	Do. 1st Pref.	38	40	
—	New York, Ontario	21	23	
50	Southern Common	51	53	+2
—	Do. Pref.	81	83	
—	Southern Pacific	103	105	
—	Union Pacific	133	135	

BRITISH RAILS.

106	Great Western	109	110	+1
101½	Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ord.	105	106	+1½
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	83	84	+1
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	96	99*	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	98	101	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1923	81	83	+1
83½	Ldn. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	85	86	+1
31½	Do. Def. Ord.	33	33½	+ ¾
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	81	83	+1
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	80	82	+1
72¾	Metropolitan	76	77	+1½
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	97	100	
57½	Do. District	55	56	+1
82½	Southern Pref. Ord.	83	85	+1
37½	Do. Def. Ord.	39½	40½	+1
33¾	Do. "A"	36	37	+1½
10½	Do. "B"	10½	11½	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	99	102	+1
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pf. 1924	97	100	
2⅛	Underground Electric	3	3¼	+ ¼
100½	Do. Income Bonds	101	103	
103	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	102	104	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

83½	Antofagasta	84	86	+ ½
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	71	73	+1
—	Bahia Blanca	76	78	+ ½
—	Brazil Railway Common	¾	1¼	
82	Buenos Ayres Gt S.	84	86	+1
73	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	75	77	+1
71	Buenos Ayres and W.	73	75	+1½
174¼	Canadian Pacific	174	176	
68½	Central Argentine	72½	74½	+2½
51	Central Uruguay	52½	54½	+ ½
—	Entre Rios	15½	17½	
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	66	68	
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	80	82	
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Deb.	43	45	+1
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	80	82	
23¼	Leopoldina	21	23	
8½	Mexican Rails	8	9	
26	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	25	27	
15	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	15	17	
2	Mexican Nat. 1st Pref.	4	5	
2	Mexican Nat. 2nd Pref.	1½	2¼	
145	San Paulo Ord.	145	150	+1
81½	United Havana	83½	85½	+ ½

FOREIGN BONDS.

100	Argentine 1886	99	101	
71	Do. 4 p.c. Recessions	71	73	+1
88½	Do. 5 p.c. 1909	96	99	
43	Brazil 4 p.c. 1889	42	44	
82½	Do. Funding 1908	83	85	+1
74	Do. 5 p.c. 1914	73	75	
93	Chinese 5 p.c. 1896	92	94	
78½	Do. 4½ p.c. 1898	76	78	
68	Do. 5 p.c. '12	78	80	
94	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	94	97	+1½
72½	Egyptian Unified	72	74	
22¾	French Loan	22½	23½	+ ⅛
17½	Do. 4 p.c.	17½	18½	+ ⅛
1⅛	German 3 p.c.	1	1½	
20	Italian Rentes	19½	21½	
114¼	Japanese 4½ p.c. 1st	113	115	
95	Do. 4 p.c. 1905	93	95	–1
83½	Do. New 5 p.c. 1907	83	85	
51	Mexican 5 p.c. '99	53	58	
64	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	63	68	
2¾	Peruvian Corporation	2¾	3¼	
26½	Do. Pref.	26	27	
94	Do. Deb.	94	96	
31½	Portuguese 3 p.c.	31	33	
108½	San Paulo 8 p.c.	104	106*	
72	Spanish 4 p.c.	64	68	+1½
87½	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	57	59	

BANKS.

—	Agricultural of Egypt	7	7½	
—	Anglo-South American	6¾	7½	
—	Australasia	12¾	13¼	+ ⅛
—	Bank New South Wales	38	39	
—	Bank of New Zealand	2¾	2⅞*	
—	Barclays "A"	7⅝	7⅞	
—	British of Foreign Trade	1	1⅛	
—	British Overseas	4⅞	5⅛*	
—	Canadian of Commerce	42	44	
—	Chartered of India	19⅛	19⅝	+ ⅛
—	Hong Kong	128	130	
—	Lloyds	58/0	59/0	+ 0/6
—	Midland	8⅝	8¾	
—	National Discount "B"	7⅝	8⅛*†	+ ⅛
—	National Prov. (£4 p.)	10⅛	10⅜	+ ⅛
—	Royal Bank of Canada	48	50	+ ¾
—	Standard South Africa	10¾	10¾*	
—	Union of Australia	14	14½*	
—	Westminster Bank	16⅛	16⅜	+ ⅛

TELEGRAPHS.

23¼	Anglo-American Def.	22¾	22¾*	
1⅛	Marconi Wireless Ord.	1⅛	1⅜	
1⅜	Do. Pref	1⅛	1½	
—	Do. Debs.	104	106	
—	Do. Marine	1⅛	1⅞	
5/6	Do. Canada	5/4½	5/7½	+ 0/1½
21/9	Oriental Telephone	1½	2*	
19/6	Radio Corporation	20/10½	21/4½	– 0/1½
19/0	Do. Pref.	19/6	19/6	+ 0/3

MISCELLANEOUS.

—	Aboukir Land	[illegible]	[illegible]	
23/6	Aerated Bread	1⅛	1⅜	
28/6	African and East. Trade	29/0	30/0	+ 1/0
22½	Alianza	22	23	
8/0	Allsopp £1 Shares	⅜	½	+ ⅛
62	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	61	66	+1
8/7½	Amalgamated Cotton	8/6	9/0	
2⅛	Anglo-Argentine 1st Pref.	2⅛	2⅜	
2⅞	Anglo-Chilian Nitrate	2⅞	3⅛	
6/6	Argentine Northern Land	[illegible]	[illegible]	
22/0	Do. Southern Land	1⅛	1⅜	
16/0	Armstrong (W. G.)	15/6	16/6	
17/9	Associated Cement	17/0	18/6	
16/0	Do. Pref.	16/0	17/0	+ 0/3
5	Assd. Newspapers Def.	5¾	6	
—	Bartholomay Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	81	84	
92	Do. Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
35/0	Bleachers	1⅞	2⅛	+ ⅛
18/0	Borax Con. Def.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
34/3	Bovril Def.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
27/0	Brazilian Traction	52	54	
51¾	British Portland Cement	[illegible]	[illegible]	
1⅛	B.S.A.	11/0	12/0	
10/6	British Cellulose Ord.	7/7½	8/1½	+ 0/3
5/9	British Oil and Cake	[illegible]	[illegible]	
25/8	B.N.B. Land	[illegible]	[illegible]	
10/3	Brit. Col. Electric Rail.	86	88	
86	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	90	92	
35/6	Brunner Mond	36/6	38/6	+ 1/0
15/0	Bryant and May	[illegible]	[illegible]	
59/0	Bradford Dyers	3	3⅛	
98/3	Brit.-Amer Tobacco	99/6	101/6	
30/9	British Glass	1/3	1/6	
31/6	Calico Printers	[illegible]	[illegible]	
14/0	Cammell Laird	14/0	15/0	+ 0/3
13/0	Cargo Fleet	14/0	15/0	
60/3	Coats	3⅛	3⅜	+ ⅛
59/0	Courtaulds	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Court Line	27/4½	28/4½	
3/0	Crosse and Blackwell	2/6	3/6	
—	Cunard Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	De La Rue Deb.	31	32	
8/3	Dunlop Rubber	7/9	8/9	
05	Do. Deb.	103	107	
—	Do. Amer. Tire Deb.	98½	99½	+ ¾
14/0	Dorman Long	14/9	15/9	+ 0/3
—	Elder Dempster 6 p.c. Pf.	18/9	19/9	
—	English Electric	16/3	17/9	
49/6	English Sewing Cotton	[illegible]	[illegible]	
45/6	Fine Spinners	[illegible]	[illegible]	
20/3	Forestal Land	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Furness Withy	[illegible]	[illegible]	
19/0	General Electric Ord.	18/6	20/0	
—	Do. Debs.	103½	105½	+ ½
403	Guinness	395½	415½	
—	Do. Pref.	117	122*	
—	Gramophone Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
33/9	Harrods	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Hoyle Deb.	101	103	
5⅞	Hudson's Bay Ord.	5½	5¾	+ ⅛
69/3	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	70/0	72/0	
17/0	John Brown	16/3	17/6	
12/0	Do. (15/- paid)	11/3	12/6	
—	Lautaro Nitrate	7	7½	
20/7½	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	20/3	21/3	
—	Lever 7 p.c. Debs.	104	106	
—	Lever 5 p.c. Debs.	93	95	
26/3	Lipton	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Lyons (J.)	[illegible]	[illegible]	
28/6	Lagunas Nitrate	27/0	28/0	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
6/6	Lister Ord	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Liverpool Nitrate	[illegible]	[illegible]	
55/0	London Nitrate	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref.	28/6	29/6	
5/10½	Maypole Def.	5/6	6/6	
—	Mond Nickel Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
32	Mexican Trams	31	33	
75	Do. Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Do. L. and P. Bonds	62	65	+2
18/0	Niger Pref.	14/6	15/6	
21/0	Nobel Ord.	22/0	23/0	+ 0/9
19/9	Do. Pref.	19/9	20/3	+ 0/3
—	Do. Def.	8/0	9/0	+ 0/9
—	Parent Tyre Def.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Do. Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Pease and Partners	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	P. and O. Def.	285	295	+5
8/0	Pekin Syndicate	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Peter Walker Ord.	16/0	18/0*	
—	Platt Bros. Ord.	33/0	34/0	
—	Royal Mail Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
25/6	Rio Negro Lands	[illegible]	[illegible]	
21/6	Rolls Royce	[illegible]	[illegible]	
31/6	Rosario Nitrate	[illegible]	[illegible]	
22/6	Salt Union	[illegible]	[illegible]	
50/3	South Durham Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]	
99	San Paulo Tram Deb.	98	103	
32/0	South African Breweries	[illegible]	[illegible]	
20¼	Shawinigan Water Debs.	115	120*	
2⅛	Santa Rita Nitrate	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Santiago Nitrate	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Salar del Carmen	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref.	18	19	
15/6	Siemens	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Spratt's Patent	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Tilling Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Do. 5½ p.c. Cum. Pref.	4¼	4⅞*	
15/3	Tarapaca Nitrate	15/6	16/6	
13/0	Union Cold Storage Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	United Alkali	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	United Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Vickers Ord.	13/9	14/9	+ 0/6
—	Van Den Berghs	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Do. Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Walker (John) Pref.	19/3	20/3	
14/9	Wallpaper Def.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Weardale Iron C.P.O.	[illegible]	[illegible]	

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LONDON MINING MARKET FIRM.

BUYING OF LOW-PRICED KAFFIRS.

Hopes of an early settlement of the railway strike and the absence of political turmoil created a feeling of relief, and the Stock Exchange yesterday opened in cheerful mood, and increased activity was noticeable. This was the case in the Mining Market, where, in addition to a quiet investment demand, there was a growing inquiry for certain speculative favourites. Kaffirs continued to give a good account of themselves, and prices tended upward. One of the first counters to emerge from the crowd was West Springs, for which the demand was as strong as it was unexpected. The inquiry for several of the lower-priced descriptions was something of a feature, and among the shares singled out for attention may be mentioned Durban Deep, Rose Deep, Village Deep, Consolidated Main Reef, Central West Gold, Modder East, and Kleinfontein, but not all of them showed improvements on balance. Few of the usual leaders showed material change on the day, but the general tone at the close was quite strong. In the Rhodesian section, Chartered were well supported, but closed below the best, and Rezende and the Victoria Falls issues went ahead; but Cam and Motor receded the turn. Among Diamonds, De Beers Def. and Pref. were in demand, as were also Consolidated Diamonds, and all finished higher. West Africans were livelier than for some time past, and Ashanti Goldfields, Fanti Consolidated, Gold Coast Amalgamated, and Akim were all higher. In view of the activity in Canadians, Associated stood out prominently in the Australian list, and, in response to persistent buying, the quotation went steadily ahead. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Jan. 21.		
1¾	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1¾-1⅞
15/0	Anglo-French	15/3-16/3+0/3
3½	Brakpan	3½-3⅝
9¾	Cent. Mining (£8)	9¾-9⅞
3¼	City Deep	3¼-3⅜
⅞	Con. Goldfields	[illegible]
9/9	Cons. Main Reef	10/0-10/[illegible] +0/3
13/9	Cons. Selec. (10/-)	13/6-14/6
3⅛	Crown Mines (10/-)	3⅛-3¼
22/3	Durban Deep	23/9-24/3+1/0
6/6	E. Rand Mining	6/0-7/0
7/3	E. Rand Prop.	7/3-7/6
3⅛	Geduld	3⅛-3⅜
13/6	Gen. Mining	13/9-14/3
9/9	G. M. Investment	9/9-10/3
6⅝	Government Areas	6⅝-6¾+ 1/16
10/9	H. E. Prop.	12/6-13/0+1/1½
30/0	Johan'burg Invest	31/0-31/6
8/3	Kleinfontein	6/9-7/3+0/3
20/0	Knight's	20/9-21/3
23/3	Langlaagte Estate	23/0-23/6+0/3
3⅛	Meyer & Charlton	3⅛-3⅜
4⅛	M'derfontein (10/-)	4⅛-4¼+ 1/32
1¾	Modder B (5/-)	1⅝-1⅞
1⅞	Modder Deep (5/-)	2⅜-2⅝+ 1/32
9/6	Modder East	10/9-11/3+0/3
1⅜	New State Areas	1⅜-1⅞+ 1/32
7/0	Nigel	7/0-8/0
14/0	Nourse Mines	14/0-14/6—1/1½
3	Rand Mines (5/-)	3⅜-3½— 1/16
21/3	Randfontein	23/3-23/9
12/6	do. Central	13/3-13/9
1⅞	Rob'son Dp. A (1/-)	1⅛-1⅜
29/0	Robinson Dp. B	30/9-31/9—0/3
15/0	Rose Deep	15/0-15/6
⅛	S.A. Gold Trust	[illegible]
2¾	Springs Mines	2¾-2⅞
13/6	Sub Nigel	14/0-14/6
2⅛	Trans. and Del. B.	2⅛-2⅜
19/0	Trans. Con. L. (15/-)	21/0-21/6—0/3
31/9	Union Corp. (12/6)	33/0-33/6
20/0	Van Ryn	18/9-19/3+0/6
3⅛	Van Ryn Deep	3⅛-3⅜+ 1/32
18/0	Vereeniging	18/0-19/0
13/6	Village Deep	13/6-14/0
24/6	West Springs	24/9-25/3+0/6
10/6	Do. Options	9/6-10/0+0/9
16/0	WitersrandDeep	16/3-16/9+0/3

RUSSIAN.

6/6	Lena Gold	[illegible]
7/9	RussoAsiat.Cons	9/0-9/6+0/3
3/6	Russian Mining	[illegible]
⅛	Siberian Props.	[illegible]
⅛	Spassky	[illegible]

RHODESIAN.

M.U. Jan. 21.		
5/3	Bechuanaland Ex.	5/6-6/0
2⅛	Cam and Motor	2⅝-2⅞
12/6	Chart'd B.S.A.	12/9-13/0+/1½
4/0	Falcon	4/3-4/9
15/3	Gaika Gold	15/0-15/6
13/6	Globe & Phœnix (5/)	13/3-13/9
6/7½	Gold F. Rho. (10/-)	6/10½-7/1½
1⅛	Lonely Reef	1⅝-1¾
2⅝	Rezende	2⅛-2⅝+ 1/16
4/6	R. Broken Hill (5/-)	4/3-4/6+/1½
9/3	Selukwe	9/0-9/6
1⅛	Shamva Mines	[illegible]
2⅛	Sherwood Starr	2⅛-2⅜
18/3	Tanganyika	16/9-17/3
30/3	Vic. Falls Ord.	31/9-32/9+1/3
29/3	do. Pref.	28/9-29/9+0/3
11/3	Wankie Col. (10/-)	11/0-12/0
9/0	Zambesia Explor.	10/0-10/6—0/3
—	Zambesia Min. D.	⅜-⅝

DIAMOND.

1⅛	Angola Diamond	[illegible]
18/0	Con. D. S. W. A.	18/0-19/0+0/3
10⅛	De Beers Def.	11⅛-11⅜+ ¼
10⅛	do. Pref.	11⅛-11⅜+ 1/16
2⅛	Jagersfontein	2⅛-2⅜
⅜	N. Val River	[illegible]
7⅛	Premier Pf. (5/-)	7-7⅛

AUSTRALIAN.

1	Amal. Zinc	1-1⅛
13/9	Associated	15/3-15/9+1/3
1⅛	Brit. Australian	1⅛-1⅜
23/0	Broken Hill Prop.	[illegible]
2⅛	B. Hill Sth. (New)	2⅛-2⅜
1/9	B. Hill, Block 10	[illegible]
1⅛	Electro Zinc Pref.	1⅛-1⅜
⅛	Ivanhoe	[illegible]
15/0	Lake View (10/-)	14/6-15/6—0/3
3⅛	North Broken Hill	3⅛-3⅜
14/3	Sulphide Ord.	14/6-15/6*
15/0	Zinc Ord. (10/-)	15/0-16/0*
2⅜	do. Pref.	2⅛-2⅜*

WEST AFRICAN.

10/7½	Akim	[illegible]
7/6	Ashanti Gold (4/-)	7/6-8/0+0/3
9/3	Fanti Cons. (8/-)	9/6-10/0+0/3
13/9	Gold Coast Amal.	15/9-16/3+0/3
4/3	Taquah Explor.	4/0-4/6

TIN.

M.U. Jan. 21.		
14/9	Anglo-Con. (10/-)	15/0-15/6
4⅛	Aramayo Francke	4-4⅛ + ⅛
6/3	East Pool (5/-)	6/3-6/9
1⅛	Gopeng	[illegible]
18/6	Ipoh	18/0-19/0*
1⅛	Kramat Pulai	[illegible]
2⅛	Malayan T.D.	2⅜-2⅝ + 1/16
14/3	Mongu	14/3-14/9
15/3	Naraguta	15/6-16/6
1/9	Nigerian Tin (5/-)	1/6-2/0
10/0	Pahang (5/-)	11/0-11/6
1⅛	Rambutan	[illegible] + 1/16
1⅜	Renong	[illegible]
11/9	Ropp (4/-Shares)	11/9-12/3—0/3
2⅛	Siamese	2⅛-2⅜
5/6	South Bukeru	5/6-6/6
1⅜	Tronoh	[illegible]

COPPER.

16/3	Arizona (5/-)	[illegible]
⅛	Mount Elliott (£5)	[illegible]
9/0	Mount Morgan	8/6-9/6
21/0	Mount Lyell	1-1⅛
1⅛	Namaqua	1⅜-1⅝
8/9	New Guinea	[illegible]
28⅛	Rio Tinto (£5)	30⅞-31⅛+ ¾
11/9	S. American (2/-)	11/9-12/3+0/3

MISCELLANEOUS.

13/0	Brit. Platinum	12/6-13/6
9/0	Burma Corp.	9/3-9/9+0/3
2/0	Chemical and Met.	2/0-3/0
3/6	Colombian Mining	3/6-4/0
—	Colombian Props	19/6-20/6
4/3	Corderoy Synd.	4/0-4/3
1⅞	Huronian Belt	2⅛-2⅜+ ¼
10/0	Keeley Silver	11/6-12/0+1/0
8/0	Kirkland Lake	9/0-10/0
4⅜	Mexico Mines	4⅜-5
4⅛	Minerals Separ't'n	5⅛-6
14/9	Min. Corp. of Can	15/6-16/0+0/3
10/0	Mysore (10/-)	10/0-11/0
2/6	Nat. Min. (5/-pd.)	1/3-1/9
1	New Chuquitambo	[illegible]
8/0	Nundydroog	7/6-8/6
12/6	Ooregum	[illegible]
11/3	Oroville	11/0-12/0*
18/3	St. John Del Rey	17/9-18/9
21/6	San Francisco (10/-)	21/6-22/0—0/6
8/3	Santa Gertrudis	8/3-8/9
—	S. Amer G. Areas	[illegible]
1⅛	Waihi Gold	[illegible]

*Ex Dividend. †Ex. Rights.

BUSINESS DONE.

Akim—12/-, 6d., 7½d., 4½d., 3d., 11/10½, 12/9½. **Anglo-American Corp.**—25/11½, 6/-, 5/11½. **Brakpan**—70/3¾, 1/1½, 70/11½, 69/4½, 70/7½, 3½d. **British Sth Africa (Chart.)**—*12/7½, 10½d., 13/-. **Cam. and Motor**—52/7½, 3/-. **Central Mining**—9⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *⅛, £9 13/3. **City Deep**—66/1½, 5/10½, 7½d., 11½d., *5/-, 11½d. **Cons. Dmd. Mines, S.W. Af.**—18/6, 2½d., 3d., 4½d., 7½d., *19/3, 19/-, 18/10½. **Consol. Gold Fields**—18/9, 10½d. **Consol. Main Reef**—10/0¾, 9/9, 10½d., *9d. **Consol. Mines Selection**—14/1½, 4½d., 13/9¾, 10½d., 4½d. **Corderoy**—4/3, 4½d., 3d., 2½d., 4½d. **Crown Mines**—65/-, 4½d., 7½d., 4/8½, 5/4½, 5/-, 4/4½, 8½d., 3/9, 4/6, *4/-, *60/-, 4/0½, 3/10½. **Durban Rood. Deep**—23/9, 6d., 10½d., 4/-, 3/-. **East Rand Prop.**—*7/0½, 3d., 4½d., 7/-, 3d., 2½d. **Esperanza**—4/4½, 1½d., 3d., 4½d. **Fanti Consols**—9/9, 7½d. **Geduld**—65/-, 4/6, 8½d. **General Mining**—14/-, 1½d., 13/10½, 14/3. **Government Areas**—6⅝, ⅝, ⅝, ⅝, ⅝. **Huronian Belt**—41/10½, 1/-, 3d., 2½d., 3d., 4½d., 9d. **Johannesburg Invest.**—31/6, 7½d., 9d. **Langlaagte**—*22/4½, *23/3, 3/1½, 1/6, 3/4½. **Minerals Separation**—80/-. **Modderfontein B** (5/- shares)—26/10½, 9d., 3d., *5/-, 6/9, 4½d. **Modderfontein Deep** (5/- shares)—47/-, 6/10½, 7/6, 5/7½, 7/6. **Modderfontein East**—10/9, 10½d., 11/1½, 11/0¾, 10/9, 7½d., *6d., 10½d. **Mount Lyell**—*19/6. **New Kleinfontein**—6/10½. **New Modderfontein**—87/6, 8/1½, 7/3, 6d., 6/3, 6¾d. **New State Areas**—33/1½, *30/-, 2/9, 3/-, 2/6. **Nourse**—14/-, 6d., 14/0½, 13/10½, *9d., *1/10½, *3/1½. **Randfontein Central**—13/9, 10½d., 13/10½, 9d., *13/-, 4½d. **Randfontein Estates**—23/3, 3d., 6d., 7½d., 4½d., 6d. **Robinson Deep A**—*36/3; do. B—31/9, 3/-, 1½d. **Rose Deep**—15/4½, 6d., 4½d., 3d., 4½d. **Russo-Asiatic**—9/-, 1½d., 9/0½, 8/10½, 11/1½, 4½d., 9/0½. **Selukwe Gold**—9/1½, 4½d., 3½d., 5¾d., 1½d., 3d. **Springs**—55/-, 4/4½, 3d., 6d. **Tanganyika**—16/9, 17/-. **Union Corporation**—33/6, 3d., 2/7½, 3/1½, 9d., 3/9. **Van Ryn**—18/9, *12/9, 98/-, *18/6, 7½d., 3d., 6d. **Van Ryn Deep**—70/-, 6d., 71/3. **Village Deep**—13/6, 9d., 6d., 14/-. **West Springs**—24/9, 5/1½, 5/-, 6/1½, 4½d. **Zinc Corp.**—15/7½, 4½d., 3d.

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DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—

Consols—56⅛, ⅛, ¼, 7, 6⅜, 7¼, 6⅞, 7¼, 6⅛, 7⅛, ⅛. **3½ p.c. War Loan**—96⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **4½ p.c. War Loan**—96⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **5 p.c. War Loan**—100¼, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 2, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **4 p.c. War Loan**—102⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Funding Loan**—87⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 8, 7⅛, ⅛. **Victory Bonds**—91⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Conversion Loan**—76⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **India 7 p.c. Loan**—113. **India 4½ p.c.**—85⅛, ⅛, 5, ⅛. **Australia 6 p.c. Stock**—105⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **5 p.c. Stock**—101⅛, 100⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **South Africa 6 p.c.**—104⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Aerated Bread**—*25/3, 7½d., 9d., 10½d. **African and Eastern**—30/4½, 3d., 4½d., 29/7½, 30/6, 1½d. **Amalgamated Cotton**—9/-, 8/4½. **Amalgamated Press**—45/-, 4/3, 5/-, 4/9, 6d. **Anglo-Dutch Rubber**—36/6, 3d., 6/-, 5/9, 6/-, 3d. **Armstrong**—16/3, 15/10½, 16/-. **Assoc. Cement**—18/3, *6d., 18/-, 18/1½, 6d. **Assoc. Newspapers Def.**—5⅛, £5 11/6, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Baldwins Ord.**—17/6, 3d., 9d., 4½d. **Barclays Bank "A"** (x.d.)—7⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Bovril Def.** (x.d.)—51/-, 50/-, 6d., 51/-. **Brazilian Traction** (x.d.)—52¾, 3, 2½, 3. **British-American Tobacco**—101/1½, 9d., 1/-, 3d., 100/10½, 1/6, 3d., 100/9, *1/3, 1½d. **British Oil and Cake**—25/-, 3/9, 6d., 5/7½, 2/9, 3/6, 5/6, 4/6, 3d., 2/9, 3/-, 4/4½. **Brunner Mond**—38/-, 7/6, 9d., 4½d., 1½d., 3d. **Bryant and May**—45/3, 4/9. **Buenos Ayres Great Southern**—85⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5⅛, ⅛. **Buenos Ayres Western Ord.**—73⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Buenos Ayres Pacific**—77, 6⅛, ⅛. **Calico Printers**—33/3, 4/-, 3/6, 3/-, 2/9, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 3/-, 4/9, *2/6, 3/-, 9d., 3/-, 4/4½. **Canadian Pacific**—175⅛, ⅛. **Central Argentine Cons.**—*4½d., *5¼d. ⅛, *6¼, ⅛. **Coats**—63/9, *6⅛, ⅛, *5⅛, *6⅛. **Cory (Wm.)**—44/6, 3d., 3/6, 4/-, 3/9. **Courtaulds**—63/6, 1½d., 3/-, 6d., *2/10½, 3/7½, 4/-, 3/9, 3/4½, 1½d., 3/-, 3/9. **Crosse and Blackwell**—2/6, 3/-. **Cunard Ord.**—17/-, 16/9. **Cory (Wm.) Ord.**—19/3, 1½d., 1/-, 1½d. **Daily Mail Trust Debs.**—99⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 100⅛, 99⅛, ⅛. **Debs.** (x.d.)—101⅛. **Daily Mirror Ord.**—25/-, 24/9. **Dorman Long**—14/6, 15/3. **Dunlop Ord.**—8/4½, 8/3. **Dunlop Tire America Debs.**—99⅛, 8⅛. **Edison Swan**—4/4½, 15/-, 7½d. **Elder-Dempster 6 p.c. Pref.**—19/1½, 1/4½, 7½d. **English Sewing Cotton**—50/9. **Fine Cotton Spinners**—48/-, 3d. **Forestal Land**—20/9, 7½d., 6d., 9d. **General Electric Ord.**—20/-, 19/10½; **do. Debs.**—104, 3d. **Grand Central Rubber**—18/9, 19/6, 4½d., 6d. **Grand Trunk Pacific 4 p.c.**—44. **Great Western Rail.**—109⅛, 10, 9⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 10, ⅛, ⅛; **do. 5 p.c. Pref.**—102, 3, 2⅛, *2. **Guinness**—405. **Harrod's Ord.**—*33/6, 4/7½, 6d. **Highlands Rubber**—31/-, 30/6. **Imperial Tobacco**—70/-, 6d., 1/-, 9d., *70/7½, 1/6, 1/-, 1½d., 70/10½; **do. Canada**—24/-, 1½d., 9d., 24/-, 23/9. **Jute Industries**—6/6, 3d. **Kassala Cotton**—16/3. **Lever 7 p.c. Pref.**—20/9, 1/-, 20/7, 9d., 21/-; **do. 8 p.c.**—*19/3, 20/-, 20/3; **do. 7 p.c. Debs.**—105⅛, ⅛. **Linggi Rubber**—30/7½. **Lipton Ord.**—27/-, 6/6, 4½d., 6d. **Lister Ord.**—28/3, 7/6, 9d. **Lloyds Bank**—58/3, 6d., 3d. **London Asiatic Rubber**—3/3, 2/10½, 3/4½. **London, Midland, and Scottish Ord.**—105⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *4⅛, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **London and North-Eastern Pref. Ord.**—85, *4⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; **do. Def. Ord.**—33¼, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; **do. 7 p.c. Pref.**—24/7½, 4/6. **Lyons (J.) and Co. Ord.**—*84⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *5, 4⅛, 6⅛, 7½d., 6d. **Malayalam Rubber**—29/4½, 6d., 9/-, 1½d., 29/-. **Marconi Ord.**—39/9, 6d., 9d., 40/-, 39/9, 40/-, 3d., 38/9, 9/1½; **do. 7 p.c.**—*1/3, 1/9, 35/-. **Marine**—36/10½. **Debs.**—106. **Mexican Eagle Ord.**—17/-; **do. Canada**—5/7½. **Maypole Def.**—5/10½, 6/-, 5/9, 6/1½, 5/-. **Metropolitan Rail.**—75⅛, 6, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Metropolitan District**—55⅛, 5, ⅛, ⅛. **Midland Bank**—8⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Nat. Prov. Bank (£4)**—10⅛, ⅛. **Nestle**—£10 5/9, £10 8/3, £10 9/-, 10⅛. **Nitrate Producers 8 p.c. Pref.**—22/6, 4½d., 3d. **Nobel Indus.**—22/3, 1½d., *1/6, 9d., 2/-, 6d.; **do. Pref.** (x.d.)—19/10½, 9d., 20/3; **do. Deferred**—8/9, 9/-, 8/10½. **Parent Tyre Ord.**—17/7½, 16/-. **Peruvian Corp. Pref.**—26⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Platt Bros. Ord.**—34/-. **P. and O. 5 p.c. Debs.**—Com.—21/-, 1½d., 1/-; **do. Pref.**—19/-, 1½d., 1/-, 1½d. **Rubber Trust**—26/9, 7½d., 27/-. **Radio Corp. Pref. Ord.**—84⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Selfridge**—26/4½. **Southern Rail. Pref. Ord.**—84⅛, 5⅛, 6, 4⅛, 5, 4⅛, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; **do. Def. Ord.**—39⅛, ⅛, ⅛; **do. Ord. "A"**—36, ⅛; **do. Ord. "B"**—10⅛. **Sudan Plantations**—39/-, 3d., 39/1½. **Sunday Pictorial Ord.**—5/7½, 6/-. **Turkish Unified**—17, ⅛, ⅛. **Underground Elec.**—61/10½, 2/-, 3d., 61/10½, 2/6, 3/-. **Underground Income Bonds**—101⅛, ⅛, 2, ⅛. **Union Cold Storage 8 p.c. Pref.**—19/10½, 20/-, 19/9, 20/-. **United Dairies**—53/-, 2/6, 3/-, 2/6, 3/0½, 2/7½. **United of Havana Rail.**—84⅛, 5, ⅛, ⅛, 4⅛, ⅛. **United Premier Oil and Cake Ord.**—30/7½, 30/-, 31/-. **United Serdang Rubber**—3/3, 4½d., 3/-, 3/4½, 3/3. **United Tobacco**—63/9, 6d., 3/-, 9d., 3/9, 14/-, 13/10½. **Walker (Peter) "B" Pref.**—18/3, 6d., 9d. **Westminster Bank**—16⅛, ⅛, ⅛, £16 8/6, 16⅛. **Whiteley (Wm.)**—56/9, 6d.

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OIL REPORT.

Venezuelan Oil Concessions, Ltd.—The London management of the above announce that they have received a cable from Venezuela which states that Well Barroso No. 3, located in the immediate vicinity of Well Barroso No. 2, was drilled into the producing sand at 1,465 feet on January 24th, under complete control, and is estimated to be flowing at the daily rate of 600 tons. The message also states that the cleaning operations which have been in process preparatory to testing Well La Junta No. 1, situated also in the La Rosa field have been completed, and the well came into production on the 23rd January, and is estimated to be flowing at the rate of 200 daily from a depth of 1,357 feet.

INDUSTRIALS FIRM.

FAIR AMOUNT OF BUSINESS.

Speaking generally, there was a fair amount of business passing in the Miscellaneous and Industrial markets yesterday, and a very firm tone was in evidence, helped by expectations that the railway dispute would be settled during the course of the day. No definite announcement having come to hand at the close, prices were inclined to ease slightly, and in several instances finished below the best. In the Stores group, Harrods issues met with fresh support. Caterers and Foodstuffs exhibited firmness, and Breweries kept up. Tobaccos were quietly steady. Shipping issues remained firm, and Electrics met with quiet support. Gas Stocks attracted attention on the dividends so far announced. Several Cable shares exhibited strength. Banks and Insurances displayed firmness, the last-named group enjoying an all-round advance.

Disappointment with the dividend resulted in realisation of Oil Cakes, which closed 3s. 9d. lower on the day at 23s. 9d. African and Easterns continued in request, and left off 6d. better at 30s. 6d. Brunner Monds received support and hardened to 37s. 9d., while Borax Def. improved to 35s. 9d. and Salt Unions to 22s. Nobels were a strong market at 22s. 3d., and the Prefs. rose to 19s. 9d. ex dividend. R. E. Jones Prefs. were inquired for on the report, but showed no change on balance at 8s. 9d. In the Newspaper group, *Daily Mail* Debs. rose to 100. The Marconi group remained firm at previous levels. A feature in the Iron and Steel group was the demand for Chinese Engineering, which finished 1/16 higher on the day at 3 1/16. Another bright spot was Beardmore Prefs., some good buying causing them to advance 6d. to 16s. 3d. Vickers were also prominent, putting on 6d. at 14s., while the tax free Prefs. gained the turn at 17s. 3d. The remainder of the list displayed a harder tendency, numerous improvements being recorded. Among the Indian companies, Bengals put on 6d. to 21s. 6d., while Tata Debs. continued to recover, and closed 1 higher at 80. Renewed strength was seen in Textiles, and the leaders went ahead. Rises of 1s. took place in Bleachers to 50s., in Bradford Dyers to 61s., in Calicos to 34s., and in Fine Spinners to 48s. 6d. Listers came into demand and rose 9d. to 29s. Dyestuffs were wanted, with the result that the Ord. finished 6d. better at 7s. 6d., while the Prefs. hardened to 12s. 3d. Courtaulds closed unchanged at 63s., after being 63s. 4½d. at one time.

RUBBER SHARES IMPROVING.

The Rubber Share Market continued its improvement yesterday, and, as a consequence, there were a number of advances in prices, some being substantial. Bukit Rajah, at 21s. 3d., rose 1s. 3d.; P.P.K. Ceylon also gained 1s. 3d. at 17s. 6d., while Pataling, at 17s. 6d., Sungei Bahru, at 19s., and Telogoredjo, at 36s. 3d., all rose the same amount. Sumatra Consols put on 1s. 4½d. at 20s. 9d., Bah Lias rose 1s. to 30s., Kapar Para also rose 1s. to 40s., and Sablas 1s. to 13s. 6d. On the other side, Kuala Lumpur fell 3s. 1½d. to 31s. 10½d., and Anglo-Malay 1s. 1½d. to 19s. 6d. The price of rubber rose to 14½d. per lb. Closing prices:—

M.U. Jan. 22.			
3⅝	Anglo-Dutch	36/6	+0/6
2/4½	Anglo-Java	2/4½	
1⅞	Anglo-Malay	19/6*	–0/1½
4/3	Bertam Cons.	4/3	
17/6	Bukit Mertajam	17/6	+0/1½
1/7½	Bukit Sembawang	1/8	+0/1½
14/6	Damansara	13/9	
18/9	Grand Central	19/6	+0/4½
2/3	Highlands	2/3	
—	Kamuning	[illegible]	
4/0	Kapong	4/3	
1/10½	Kuala Lumpur	31/10½*	–3/1½
2/3	Labu	2/3	
—	Linggi	30/0	
3/4½	London-Asiatic	3/4½	+0/1½
1⅛	Malacca	34/4½	
1½	Malayalam	29/6*	+0/9
2/6	Merlimau	2/9	+0/6
—	Mooply Valley	20/0	+0/3
2/3	Port Dickson	2/3	+0/3
—	Rubber Trust	26/7½	+0/3
1/6	Seafield	1/6	
2/6	Semenyah	[illegible]	
3/-	Sialang	3/3	
18/9	Straits Rubber	[illegible]	
20/0	Tali Ayer	21/0	+0/7½
4/3	Tandjong	4/3	
3/3	Un. Serdang	3/3	
3/3	United Sua Betong	65/6	
11/0	Vallambrosa	11/9	+0/3

Anglo-Sum.	49/6		N. Hummock	17/0	
Bah Lias	30/6	+1/0	P.P.K.(C'yl'n)	17/6	+1/3
Batu Tiga	32/6		Pataling	17/6	+1/3
B.N.B.R.Trst	0/3	+0/3	Pilmoor	18/7½	
Brieh	16/6		Rim Malacca	20/0	
Bukit Cloh	15/0		Sapong	6/6	
Bukit Rajah	21/3	+1/3	Sapumalk'de	21/0	
Castlefield	21/6		Selangor	24/0	
Cheviot	[illegible]		Sengat'nc'l	26/0	
Cicely	4/4½	+0/2½	Somber Ajoe	12/6	
Eastern Trust	15/0		Sumatra Con.	20/9	+1/4½
Gen. Ceylon	34/0		Sungei Bahru	19/0	+1/3
Glenbervie	[illegible]		Sungei Kapar	[illegible]	
Golden Hope	21/6		Sungei Kr. Pf.	[illegible]	
Java Amal.	24/0	+1/0	Taiping	17/6	
Kapar Para	40/0	+1/0	Tobrau	29/0	+0/3
Kepitigalla	7/0½	+0/6	Telogoredjo	36/3	+1/3
Kombok	5/0		Tempeh	[illegible]	
Langkat Sum	20/3		Un. Temiang	2/7½	
Ladbury	19/9		Yam Seng	[illegible]	
Manch'ter N.B.	20/6				
Membakut	10/0				

* Ex Div. † Ex Rights. ‡ Cum div.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Alliance Assurance, 13, 12½, ⅛; Do. New, 13⅛, £13/19, 14, 13⅛; Atlas, 17, ⅛, 17; British General, 39/-, 3d.; Commercial Union, 19⅛, ⅛, ⅛, £19/9, 19⅛, £19/9; Eagle Star, 13⅛; London Reinsurance Corporation, 6/6, 5/-, 5/-; London Assurance, 9⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Motor Union, 8⅛, ⅛, ⅛; North British, 16⅛, ⅛, £16 11/6, 16⅛; Royal Exchange, 472, 6; Royal, 24⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Sun, 17⅛, ⅛, 17⅛, ⅛, 18; World Auxiliary, 16/9, 6d.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL:—Alliance, 13⅛; ditto New, 14; Caledonian, 21⅛, ⅛; Commercial Union, 19⅛, ⅛; Eagle Star, 13/3; Employers' Liability, 87/6; General Accident, 7⅛; Guardian, 6⅛; London Assurance, 9⅛, ⅛, ⅛; North British, 16⅛; Northern, 14⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Phœnix, 23⅛; Pelican, £11 9/6; Norwich Union, 11⅛; Royal, 24⅛; Sea, 5⅛; Sun, 17⅛, 18/6; Yorkshire, 10¼.

IRISH TRAFFICS.

Great Northern Railway Company (Ireland).—Return of traffic receipts for week ended 25th January, 1924.—Passenger train receipts £14,750 (1923 £14,800), decrease £50; goods train receipts £18,500 (£19,250), decrease £750. Total £33,250 (£34,040), decrease £800. Aggregate for four weeks £139,080 (£142,125), decrease £3,045. The receipts for the corresponding period are adjusted to the actual figures.

THE MONEY MARKET.

LOANABLE CREDITS SCARCE.

IMPROVING EXCHANGES.

In the absence of any maturities of Treasury bills, and with the banks withdrawing funds for window-dressing purposes, the condition of loanable credit in Lombard street was very harsh. Borrowers were paying 2½-2¾ per cent. for night money, sometimes more. Fixtures were 2½ per cent. There was a small surplus offering cheaper late in the day. The tone of discounts was firm, with fine three months' bank bills 3 7/16 per cent. The India Council bought the new Treasury bills at 3⅜ per cent., March paper being done at 3 7/16 per cent., with Februarys 3 7/16 per cent.

Bank Rate (Discount changed July 5, 1923), 4%.
60 days (fine) .... 3⅝ 3⅞ | Trade 4 4½%
3 months .... 3⅝ 3⅞ | 4¼ 4½%
4 months .... 3⅝ 3⅞ | ...... 4½ 5 %
6 months 3⅝ 3⅞
Loans to brokers day-to-day 2¾ 2½%
for a week 2½%
Deposit allowance: Banks at call .... 2 %
Discount houses, at call .... 2 %
at notice 2¼%

Gold was 4d. per ounce lower at 97s. 4d. nominal. Silver remained unchanged at 33 7/16d. per ounce for spot and 33½d. for forward delivery.

There was a better feeling in the market for foreign exchange yesterday, and this was reflected in a recovery in values. Sterling improved to 4.25¼-4.25½ dollars New York, and French francs to 92.05-92.15, with Belgium 103.40-103.50. Holland depreciated to 11.43-11.43½, and Switzerland to 24.60; but Sweden was hard at 16.22-16.25. Rupees were dull at 1s. 5 5/16d.-1s. 5 7/16d., with Japan weaker at 2s. 1½d.-2s. 1¾d. Brazilian milreis were easier at 6¼, but Argentine firmed up to 42-42½. Norway weakened to 31.40-31.50, and Denmark to 26.50 sellers. The following are closing quotations:—

—	January 28.		January 26.		Normal Rate.
Alexandria	97⅛		97⅛		97½d
Amsterdam	11.43	11.43¼	11.39¾	11.40¾	12.10
B. Ayres	42	42⅛	41⅞	42⅛	47.58
Barcelona	33.37	33.40	33.33	33.38	25.22
Berlin	18 billions		18 billions		20.40
Bombay	1/5⅛	1/5⅛	1/5⅛	1/5¼	2/0
Brussels	103.40	103.50	104½	104¾	25.22½
Calcutta	1/5⅛	1/5⅛	1/5⅛	1/5¼	2/0
Christiania	31.40	31.50	30.80	30.90	18.15
Copenhagen	26.50	sellrs	26.14	26.18	18.15
Czecho-Slov	147	147½	146¼	146¾	—
Finland	169¼	169¾	169	169½	25.22½
Greece	214	219	217	222	25.22½
Hong Kong	2/4	2/4⅛	2/4⅛	2/4⅜	—
Hungary	112,500	nominal	100,000	125,000	—
Italy	97⅛	97½	97¼	97⅝	25.22½
Lisbon	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛	53⅛d.
Madrid	33.30	33.40	33.34	33.37	25.22½
Mexico	28d		28d		24⅛d.
Montreal	4.37	4.38	4.34½	4.35	4.86
Montevideo	44¾	45¼	44¾	45¼	51d.
New York	4.23½	4.25¼	4.22⅛	4.23	4.86
Paris	92.05	92.15	94.00	94.10	25.22
Poland	40,000,000	sellrs	41,000,000	sellrs	—
Rio de Jan.	6⅛	6⅛	6⅛	6⅛	16d.
Roumania	840	855	840	860	—
Shanghai	3/3⅛	3/4	3/3⅛	3/4	—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	16.22	16.25	16.32	16.34	18.15
Switzerland	24.57	24.62	24.49	24.51	25.22
Valparaiso	41.20		41.10		13.33
Vienna	295,000	305,000	298,000	303,000	—
Yokohama	2/1⅛	2/1⅜	2/1⅛	2/1⅜	54.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

London Stock Markets opened the week in buoyant fashion, and in all departments prices were advanced substantially. Signs of a restoration of public confidence were manifested in every direction, and particularly in the gilt-edged and Home Railway markets, in which the demand for the various issues was of an insistently strong character. British Funds were firm throughout the day, and although final quotations were slightly under the best, all the leaders closed at a considerably higher level than they opened at, while India made further material headway. Expectations that a strike settlement will be arrived at shortly, gave a good fillip to Home Rails. Business became much more brisk than it was last week, and prices forged ahead speedily. Most of the group stocks closed from ½ to 1 higher, and some of the biggest gains registered were credited to Metropolitans and Districts. French Bonds, which moved up on the appreciation of the value in the franc, provided one of the best features of strength in the foreign market. Central European securities came into general favour, and Russians firmed up on renewed hopes of political and economic relations being restored between Russia and England, on the understanding that the Soviet Government will agree to recognise its liabilities with regard to the various securities.

There is something very interesting about the announcement of the formation of a new Dutch accepting house. Under the ægis of two important Dutch institutions it is to form the nucleus of a much larger international concern in which British, German, and Swiss banks will be interested. The objective is the financing of commercial transactions and the granting of trade credits, especially between Holland and foreign countries. In itself this conveys little real information; it is too comprehensive and lacking in essential details. Of course, any measure calculated to foster and develop commerce between different countries is deserving of general support and naturally excites interest. But Holland does not by any means lack such facilities, and the idea of fusing British, German, and Swiss interests for developing and enlarging its scope is a novelty. Whether it would be a competitor of the London Money Market is problematical, and it is just as uncertain whether the root idea is the re-establishing of German commerce through the medium of Holland. We are inclined to the opinion (says the *Evening Standard*) that the idea is grandiose.

In an interview respecting a cable expressing doubt as to the payment of Grand Trunk Pacific Debenture Stock current interest, the Secretary of the Grand Trunk Pacific Debenture Holders' Committee stated that stockholders should not be led by these messages into selling their stock. The cable referred to, he added, was avowedly unofficial and the figure of half a million dollars given as a possible deficit after payment of prior charges was a mere guess, the value of which gained nothing for having been made in Ottawa. Further official information would be issued by the Committee immediately it was received from the Canadian Railway management in Ottawa.

The directors of the Wagon Finance Corporation have decided to increase the capital by a further £250,000. The new shares will be issued at a premium of 10s. per share, and will be offered to the existing shareholders in the proportion of one new share for every four held.

The Buenos Ayres cable to the Anglo-South American Bank, dated January 25, states that cutting operations in regard to wheat, linseed, and oats, have ceased in the central and northern zones, and threshing is proceeding with great activity. Cutting and threshing continue in the South. The maize crops are in excellent condition, and no damage from locusts has yet been reported. All cereals are now coming forward for shipment in large quantities. The camps, as well as the fruit crops, are in excellent condition.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Wind and Weather—Westerly wind; moderate breeze; dull.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Snowdon, from Holyhead, with goods; ss. Patricia, from Cardiff, with goods; s. De Wadden (motor), from New Ross, in ballast; ss St. Mirren, from Whitehaven, with coals; ss. Essonite, from Blyth, with coals.

Coastwise Departures—Ss. Slievemore, for Holyhead, with goods; ss. Lady Louth, for Liverpool, with goods; ss. Patricia, for Cardiff, with goods; ss. Olive, for Heysham, with goods; ss. Pointer, for Glasgow, with goods; Pursuit (sch.), for New Ross, with manure; ss. Clarecastle, for Liverpool, with porter; ss Slievenamon, for Belfast, light; ss. St. Senan, for Trevor light.

LLOYD'S MAIL NEWS.

ARAWA, Wellington for England, left St. Vincent 26.
ABA, from Liverpool, arrived Lagos 25.
BRAEMAR CASTLE, from Karachi, arrived Southampton 27.
BALLARAT, for London, left Fremantle 26.
BARRANCA, from Santa Marta, arr. the Mersey 27.
BAYANO, from Tela, arrived Avonmouth 27.
CHANGUINOLA, for Jamaica, left Avonmouth 28.
CEDRIC, from New York; DIRECTOR, from Vancouver, and DESEADO, from Buenos Ayres, arrived the Mersey 28.
CITY OF PARIS, for London, left Port Said 27.
DESEADO, Buenos Ayres for Liverpool, left Vigo 25.
GEORGE WASHINGTON, for Boston, left Southampton 27.
HATIMURA, London for Calcutta, arrived Port Said 28.
HOLBEIN, Liverpool for River Plate, left Rio de Janeiro 25.
HINDOO, for Bombay, left Middlesbro' 26.
JEBBA, for England, left Accra 24.
KAZEMBE, for New York, left Hull 26.
KHYBER, London for Japan, left Malta 26.
KAISAR-I-HIND, Kobe for London, left Marseilles 26.
KASHGAR, for London, left Kobe 26.
KARMALA, London for Japan, arr. Hong Kong 26.
MULBERA, for London, left Colombo 26.
MORETON BAY, London for Brisbane, left Port Said 25.
MALOJA, London for Sydney, left Marseilles 26.
MASHOBRA, Karachi for England, arrived Bombay 26.
MARENGO, for New York, left Aberdeen 27.
MALWA, London for Bombay, arrived Aden 27.
NASMYTH, from Buenos Ayres, arrived Avonmouth 28.
MOOLTAN, from London, arr. Adelaide 27.
ORANIA, Buenos Ayres for Amsterdam, called Southampton 26.
ORMUZ, London for Brisbane, arrived Colombo 27.
PARDO, from Bahia Blanca, and MATIANA, from Bombay, arrived Hull 27.
PEMBROKESHIRE, from London, arr. Colombo 26.
PLASSY, Bombay for London, arrived Suez 28.
PADUA, London for Yokohama, left Port Said 27.
PERIM, Immingham for Yokohama, arrived Singapore 27.
PESHAWUR, Brisbane for Hull, left Port Said 27.
PATANI, from London, arrived Bathurst 24.
PARDO, from Bahia Blanca; MATIANA, from Bombay, and ORMONDE, Brisbane for Southampton, left Gibraltar 27.
POTOSI, Corral for Liverpool, called Fayal 27.
PARIS, Havre for New York, called Plymouth 27.
PIAKO, from New Zealand, arrived Avonmouth 27.
SHONGA, for England, left Axim 23.
STRABO, Swansea for River Plate, left Rio de Janeiro 27.
TREBARTHA, for London, left Colombo 27.
VITELLIA, from Cardiff, arrived Colombo 27.
VASCONIA, for Portland (Maine), left Gravesend 27.
VARDULIA, for London, left New York 26.
WALMER CASTLE, from Natal, arr. Southampton 2d.

Cunard Line.

AUSONIA left Boston at 4 p.m. on Sunday for Liverpool via Queenstown.
SCYTHIA, from Liverpool and Queenstown, due New York at midnight yesterday.
TYRRHENIA left Queenstown at 5 p.m. on Sunday for New York via Halifax.

During the past year 14,742 emigrants embarked at Antwerp direct for foreign countries; 1,556 immigrants landed at Antwerp during the same period. The departures included 1,425 Belgians, of whom the greater part were agricultural workers, emigrating to Canada.

HIBERNIAN BANK.

PROSPEROUS HALF-YEAR.

INCREASED DIVIDEND.

The half-yearly meeting of the Hibernian Bank, Limited, was held yesterday at the head office, College Green, Dublin.

Mr. Martin F. Mahony (Chairman) presided, and at the opening of his address to the shareholders referred to the retirement of Mr. John Murphy from the board of directors. Mr. Murphy's retirement from the chair had been announced at the last general meeting, and in the meantime Mr. Murphy had asked to be released from his directorship, and with much regret his colleagues accepted his resignation. Some shareholders there present might remember the time when Mr. Murphy was co-oped to a seat on the Board in the room of his father, who had occupied the position of chairman up to the date of his death in 1894. Since that time the bank had had the benefit of Mr. Murphy's wide and varied experience, which was of great assistance to his colleagues and keenly appreciated by them. The vacant seat on the Board had been filled by the co-option of Mr. Charles Hugh O'Conor, whose experience and intimate knowledge of the country and its affairs would undoubtedly be advantageous to the bank.

THE DECREASE IN DEPOSITS.

Turning to the statement of accounts, the Chairman pointed out that a further decrease, amounting to almost one million sterling, had taken place in the deposits during the past six months, following on a decrease of £850,000 in the preceding six months. This course of business during the half-year was fully anticipated, and had been experienced by all the Irish banks. To meet these withdrawals investments had been realised to a corresponding extent. On the sales thus effected the bank realised a profit, as set forth in the report, of £37,890, which had been applied towards the further strengthening of the Reserve Fund. Advances had increased during the six months by about £560,000, and, as compared with those at the corresponding date in the previous year, showed the substantial increase of £1,200,000.

THE INCREASED DIVIDEND.

With regard to the profit and loss account, it would be observed that the gross profits, on the one hand, and the expenses of management on the other hand, stood respectively at almost the same amounts as those for the previous half-year, with the result that the net profits, £55,833, amount practically to the same figure as that for the first half of 1923. From these profits the sum of £12,109 13s. 5d. had been transferred to the Reserve Fund, which had now been brought up to £525,000; and it was proposed to apply £5,000 in reduction of the bank premises account. In view of all the circumstances, they might, he thought, be fully satisfied with the results of the working for the half-year. Having regard to the position and prospects of the bank, and to the fact that the Reserve Fund now stood at a figure higher than the amount of the paid-up capital, the directors felt assured that the moderate increase to 11 per cent. per annum in the rate of dividend might be confidently adopted, and they had pleasure in making a recommendation accordingly. After the allocations referred to, and the payment of the dividend, there would remain a balance of almost £24,000 to be carried forward to credit of the next account.

IMPROVED STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

The adverse circumstances against which the country had had to contend recently, such as labour troubles, foot-and-mouth disease, unfavourable weather conditions, etc., were so fresh in the minds of all that he would not dwell on them. The bank had felt their prejudicial effect; but on the other hand, they had also felt the improvement in the condition of the country in respect of the greater security of life and property, on which their prosperity so largely depended. The pronounced success of the recent issue of the National Loan, on which the Government could be cordially congratulated, afforded further evidence of a more settled state, and they looked forward hopefully to a maintenance of that peace which was so essential to the welfare of the nation. (Hear, hear.)

DEPOSIT AND LOAN RATES.

Mr. H. P. Courtney, while expressing pleasure at the general position of the bank, referred to comments which, he said, were being made widely on the difference between the deposit interest of 2 per cent. and the rate of 6 per cent. charged for loans. He also suggested that £500,000 of the reserve fund be transferred under the head of capital, so that shares at present £5 paid up would be made £10 paid up, to bring about a reduction of the shareholders' liability. If that were done, the dividend of 11 per cent. would appear as 5½ per cent., and they would be less open to a charge of profiteering.

Mr. J. J. Maguire said that the increase of 1 per cent. in the dividend was very gratifying to the shareholders. He criticised the ratio of working expenses to gross profits, saying that it was too high.

Sir Joseph Downes, as a customer as well as a shareholder of the bank, said that there was too great a difference between the deposit rate allowed and the discount rate charged by Irish banks. In bygone days depositors got 3 per cent. and more. Some of his friends had been sending money across the water and to the North of Ireland to get bigger interest on their money. The industrial people of the country, when they needed loans, should be helped and protected in every possible way, and 6 per cent. was too high a rate to charge them for accommodation.

Mr. P. W. Corrigan supported the suggestion of Mr. Courtney that the amount of paid-up capital should be increased by the transfer of £500,000 from the reserve fund.

Mr. J. A. O'Connell said that the Irish banks had good reasons for fixing the rates of interest allowed and charged at the rates which had been criticised, and there was not a true analogy between their conditions and those of the English banks.

The Chairman said that the directors would consider the points which had been raised.

The report and the statement of accounts were adopted, and a dividend for the half year at the rate of 11 per cent. per annum was declared.

On the motion of Mr. James A. O'Connell, seconded by Mr. Mulligan, a resolution was passed thanking Mr. John Murphy for his services as director and chairman, wishing him many happy years in which to enjoy his well-earned rest, and authorising the directors to expend £200 either in obtaining a portrait of Mr. Murphy, to be hung in the boardroom or in making a presentation of plate to him.

The retiring directors, Messrs. Martin F. Mahony and T. Levins Moore, were re-elected.

A motion being put forward to grant the directors a special additional remuneration of £1,000 for the past year, the Chairman, on behalf of the board, said that while appreciating the suggestion, they would prefer that no alteration be made in their fixed remuneration.

Before the meeting concluded, a vote of thanks to the directors and staff was passed.

ALLEGED PICKPOCKET.

PRESENTIMENT THAT WAS FULFILLED.

In the Southern Police Court, Dublin, yesterday, John Cahill, *alias* John Carr, was remanded for further inquiries on the charge of having attempted to pick pockets at Lansdowne road on Saturday evening soon after the conclusion of the International Rugby match.

It appeared that during the rush for the trams the accused ran with the crowd and made three attempts to board one of the cars. It was alleged that on the fourth occasion he put his hand into a woman's pocket. On being arrested he said to Detective Sergeant Gibney that he had a presentiment all day that he would be caught.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

At public sales two catalogues came under the hammer jointly, totalling 10,799 bales, and comprised 3,574 bales New South Wales and Queensland, 1,376 Victorian, 649 South Australian, 4,226 New Zealand, 673 Cape, and 302 Buenos Ayres. Competition from a good attendance of buyers was carried on with activity and a firm tone predominated. Yorkshire buyers continue to pay marked attention to good top-making descriptions, while the finer short-stapled wools attract the attention of Continental operators. Crossbreds continue to command support, particularly from the home trade.

AUSTRALIAN WOOL SALES.

At the wool sales held at Sydney yesterday 6,621 bales were offered, of which 6,114 were sold. Private sales consisted of 1,220 bales. There was a good selection, and a very strong market. Lines showing quality advanced 5 per cent. Yorks, Japanese, American, and Continental competition was keen, and excellent clearances were effected. Greasy merino realised 41½d.

JAMES J. SCANNELL'S AUCTIONS.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), JANUARY 30TH,
AT 4 BACHELOR'S WALK.
SALE OF THE ENTIRE CONTENTS OF THREE CITY RESIDENCES, CONTAINING
SUPERIOR COLLECTION OF ANTIQUE AND MODERN HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE, CARPETS, ETC.,

COMPRISING:—6ft. Antique Nelson Sideboard, Antique Boudoir Mirror, Sheraton Bureau and Bookcase, with Diamond Doors: Sheraton Bureau, Very Handsome French Clock and Pair of Candelabra to match, in perfect order: 6ft. Mahogany Bedroom Suite, with Bedstead, Spring and Hair Mattress to match, made by Pim Bros.; 6ft. Walnut and Burr Bedroom Suite, with 2 Glass Doors to Wardrobe; 6ft. Walnut Bedroom Suite, 5ft. Inlaid Mahogany Bedroom Suite, with 2 Oval Mirror Doors to Wardrobe; 4ft. Inlaid Satin Walnut Bedroom Suite, 3ft. 6in. Satin Walnut Bedroom Suite, with Reflex Mirror to Dressing Chest; 4ft. Mahogany Gent.'s Wardrobes, Mahogany Chests of Drawers, Magnificent 6ft. Oak Sideboard, with Bevelled Mirror Back; 6ft. Mahogany do.; 6ft. Mahogany Pedestal Sideboard, 4ft. Walnut Dumb Waiter, with Drawers; 5ft. Mahogany Sideboard, with Mirror Back; Oak Dining Table, 8ft. x 4ft.; Four Carved Oak Diningroom Chairs, and Two Carving Chairs and Dumb Waiter to match; 8ft. Mahogany Telescope Dining Table, One Handsome Mahogany Chippendale Drawingroom Overmantel, 4 Walnut Overmantels, 6 Oak do., Antique Mahogany Sideboard, Serpentine front; 9-piece Walnut Diningroom Suite, in Morocco leather; 9-piece Mahogany Diningroom Suite, in American cloth; 8-piece Drawingroom Suite, in Silk Tapestry; 2 Large Easy Chairs in Tapestry, with loose Linen Covers; Music Cabinet and Secretaire combined. Solid Silver Tea Service, handsome 40-piece China Tea Set, Quantity of Antique Cut Glass, Silver Fruit and Fish Knives, 9-piece Oak Panel Back Diningroom Suite, in Morocco leather; 7-piece Divan Suite in Tapestry; 9-piece Diningroom Suite, in Moquette; 7-piece do., 7-piece Diningroom Suite, in American Cloth; Mahogany Inlaid Occasional Tables, Drumhead Couch in Cretonne, Oak and Brass Palm Stands, Carved Oak Occasional Tables, Walnut Marble-top Cabinet, with Mirror back; Chesterfield Settee and 2 Armchairs, in Tapestry; 50 Mahogany Diningroom Chairs, in American Cloth and Leather; Oval and Round Mahogany Centre Tables, Glass-back Cheffoniers, 2 Satin Walnut Wardrobes, All-brass and Black and Brass Beds, Wire and Hair Mattresses, Gent.'s Bicycles, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, etc., etc.

SALE AT 1 O'CLOCK. ON VIEW TO-DAY.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, AT
"ALEXANDRA" HOUSE, GREYSTONES.
SALE OF SUPERIOR ANTIQUE & MODERN FURNITURE,

PIANO BY KIRKMAN, PRACTICALLY NEW; TURKEY AND AXMINSTER CARPETS, SILK CURTAINS, CHIPPENDALE CHINA CABINET, CHESTERFIELD AND ARMCHAIRS, ANTIQUE FENDERS, &c.

Full particulars in future Advertisements and Posters.

JAMES J. SCANNELL,
AUCTIONEER AND VALUER, 4 BACHELOR'S WALK.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO.'S SALES.

SALE TO-DAY (TUESDAY), AT 2 P.M. SHARP,
AT 110 GRAFTON STREET.
TRUSTEES' SALE.

85 PEMBROKE ROAD (OPPOSITE TO COLLEGE BOTANICAL GARDENS).

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION TO PURCHASER. A double-fronted detached Residence, with bay windows; coach house and stabling and rear and side entrances. Frontage to Pembroke road, about 85 feet. The House contains three reception rooms, one of which measures 25 feet by 16 feet; four family bedrooms, dressingroom, tiled kitchen, three servants' rooms, pantries, etc.; gas and water laid on.

Held from the Pembroke Estate for 150 years from 25th March, 1861, subject to £5 17/6 per annum.

Messrs. MAXWELL, WELDON and CO., Solicitors, 40 North Great George's street.

£53 4s. 0d. PER ANNUM, adjusted rent, payable by one tenant, out of 10a. 0r. 11p. Statute measure, of the Lands of Churchtown Lower, Dundrum, on which Granite House and a number of Cottages are erected. Held in fee-simple and leased for 999 years from 1850.

Messrs. O'KEEFFE and LYNCH, Solicitors, 30 Molesworth street.

£21 18s. 5d. PER ANNUM, secured profit ground rent, payable under four fee-farm grants out of valuable Premises in William street and Coppinger's Row, including the City Assembly Rooms. The total rents payable under the grants amount to £70 7/11 per annum, and are subject to superior rents amounting to £48 9/6 per annum, leaving for sale £21 18/5 per annum, thoroughly well secured. P.L.V., £347.

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JAMES H. NORTH & CO., AUCTIONEERS,
110 GRAFTON STREET.

CORRIGAN & CO.'S SALE.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 30TH INST.,
IN SALEROOMS, 4 GRAFTON STREET, AT 1.30 P.M.

48 HAMILTON STREET, DONORE AVENUE, (POSSESSION).
(CONVENIENT TO TOBACCO FACTORIES).

Two-storeyed semi-detached house with large Sittingroom. Tiled Kitchen with close range, sink and w.c. 3 Bedrooms. Garden and side entrance. All in good order. Ground Rent £4. Lease 450 years from October, 1915. Orders to view from Auctioneers.

Messrs. J. L. BURKE and Co., Solicitors, 63 Upr. Sackville Street.

42 PARK AVENUE, SANDYMOUNT (POSSESSION).

Quaint double fronted cottage residence, charmingly situated on best part of this favourite avenue. Contains:—5 apartments. Kitchen and Maid's room. Splendid garden plot at rere and nice walled-in front, w.c., etc. Side Entrance. Held for 81 years from 1863, subject to the yearly rent of £5 5s. 6d.

E. A. KILLINGLEY, Solicitor, 22 St. Andrew Street.

CORRIGAN & CO., AUCTIONEERS,
'PHONE 2259 **4 GRAFTON STREET, DUBLIN.**

NEWBRIDGE, CO. KILDARE.

SALE OF A WELL-SITUATED
RESIDENTIAL GRAZING FARM.

EDWARD A. COONAN & SON are instructed by Messrs. WALLACE BROS., Ltd., to SELL BY AUCTION TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), JAN. 30TH, AT ONE O'CLOCK, AT PIERCETOWN (ADJOINING NEWBRIDGE RAILWAY STATION), the Interest in Part of the Lands of PIERCETOWN and COMMONS, containing 128½ Acres, S.M., and held in fee simple subject to an annuity of £104 12s., payable to the Irish Land Commission; P.L.V., £160.

The Residence, of recent construction, is of medium size, with modern sanitary arrangements and electric light. In thorough repair.

The Land is all in grass, except about four acres, which was heavily manured last season, and is of prime finishing quality, laid out in convenient-sized fields, all well sheltered and watered.

Inspection and correspondence invited. On a later date the Implements, Live Stock, Hay, Straw, &c., will be Sold. Intending buyers are requested to attend, as this Property is for Prompt Sale.

Purchasers to pay commission according to I.A.A. Rules.

Messrs. MATHESON, ORMSBY and PRENTICE, Solicitors, 16 Lower Sackville street, Dublin.

E. A. COONAN & SON, M.I.A.A.,
AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS,
RATHCOFFEY, CLONGOWESWOOD, & NAAS.

SALE THIS DAY.
DRAYTON LODGE, 73 MONKSTOWN ROAD.

MESSRS. BENNETT and SON, LIMITED, will SELL BY AUCTION, on the Premises, as above, on TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 29th inst., THE FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS OF THE RESIDENCE, comprising chiefly:—Cottage Piano, by Collard and Collard; Mahogany Hall Table and pair of Chairs, Mahogany Sofa Table, Ebonised China Cabinet, Inlaid Mahogany Writing Table, Gilt Overmantel, Walnut Sideboard, with mirror back; do. Cabinet, Mahogany Dumb Waiter, Dining Table, on screw frame; 6 Diningroom Chairs, Couches in Mahogany and Walnut, Bookcases and Cabinets, Occasional Tables and Chairs, Gent's Wardrobe, Mahogany Duchess Pair, Ash Bedroom Suites and Chest of Drawers, Painted Presses and Wardrobes, Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Curled Hair Mattresses and Bedding, Children's Cots, Fenders and Fireirons, Axminster and Brussels Carpets, Stair Carpeting and Door Mats, Lace and Chintz Curtains, small Collection of Books, Dinner Ware, Delph and Culinary Utensils, also Mangle, Kitchen Dresser, Deal Tables, and Windsor Chairs; Garden Roller, Hose and Reel, Garden Seats and Chairs, Barrow, 2 Lawn Mowers, and other Miscellaneous Effects. Sale to commence at One o'clock.

Terms:—Cash and 5 p.c. Auction Fees.

BENNETT & SON, LIMITED, M.I.A.A.,
AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 6 UPPER ORMOND QUAY, DUBLIN.

SALE THIS DAY, IN CONTINUATION.
JAMES HILL AND SON, 9 AND 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.
HIGH-CLASS AUCTION OF
SUPERIOR MODERN FURNITURE,
CARPETS, AND EFFECTS,

Comprising:—DRAWINGROOM, DININGROOM, BEDROOM, and HALL FURNITURE, in VARIETY; ROOM, STAIR and LANDING CARPETS, HEARTH RUGS, LINOLEUMS; OVERMANTELS; and a LARGE COLLECTION of CLEAN KITCHEN FURNITURE, DRESSERS, MANGLES, PRESSES, TABLES, CHAIRS, CHINA, GLASS, PLATED WARE, &c. Sale commences 1 p.m. Purchasers pay 5 per cent. fees.

JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A.,
AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 9 AND 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.

PUBLIC NOTICE
SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

AUCTION OF CARGO COAL, about 400 tons, loaded in railway trucks standing at Cork, Glanmire (G.S. and W.R.), on THURSDAY, 31st JANUARY, 1924.

To be Sold without reserve, by direction of Great Southern and Western Railway, on account of whom it may concern.

SALE AT 12 NOON. USUAL TERMS.

Note—Purchaser to be liable for Auctioneers' usual fees, in addition to charge for haulage, cranage, as well as demurrage on wagons, up to date of purchase; same to be paid before completion of purchase.

For any further particulars apply to

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Auctioneers,
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Ireland's Chief Industry.

Farming interests specially catered for in to-morrow's issue of the "Irish Times"

THE DUBLIN PANTECHNICON,
17 PARKGATE STREET.

SECOND SALE.

MESSRS. R. STRAHAN and CO., LTD., are SELLING BY AUCTION, on the Premises, on THIS DAY (TUESDAY), 29th JANUARY, 1924, a quantity of

FURNITURE AND EFFECTS,
IN STORAGE

In pursuance of notification published September, 1923, the property of notified depositors, and for other accounts, including Mahog. Sideboards, Indian Carved Tables, Chairs, etc.; Grandfather Clock, Carved Oak Bookcases, Dolphin Tables, Hall Bench, Brass Bedsteads, quantity of Books, Household Linen, Blankets, Ornamental and other China, Carpets, Pictures, Chairs, Tables, etc., and Miscellaneous Effects; also a Doctor's Brougham.

R. STRAHAN & COMPANY, Ltd.,
Auctioneers and Valuers,
135 STEPHEN'S GREEN.
On view Tuesday, 9 to 12 o'clock.
Sale 12 o'clock precisely.
Auction fees 5 per cent.

SALE TO-DAY AT 12 SHARP.
11 SOUTH KING STREET.

Player Piano, Cottage Piano, Motor Cars, large Collection General Furniture—about 600 Lots. View from 10 till Sale. Delivery Wednesday.

ARTHUR JONES & SON,
Auctioneers, Valuers, House Agents,
11 SOUTH KING STREET, DUBLIN.

STORE CATTLE SALES EVERY THURSDAY.

R. & J. WILKINSON, M.I.A.A.
40-41 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.

JOBSTOWN, TALLAGHT.
BOOTHMAN ESTATE.

WE are instructed by the Receiver to LET BY AUCTION, on FRIDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, 1924, At 11.30 o'clock, the following Divisions:—

	A.	R.	P.
Whitestown and Flemings	44	1	31
Dairyfields	17	2	37
Black Bog and Nine Acres	26	3	0

TO 30th NOVEMBER, 1924.

R. & J. WILKINSON,
40 and 41 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.

THE WEEK'S EVENTS IN IRELAND are recorded in the "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES." The Paper for Home and Foreign Readers. Price Twopence.

MESSRS. HOLDEN'S SALES

WEDNESDAY, 6th FEBRUARY, at 1 O'C.
EXCELLENTLY SITUATED BUSINESS PREMISES,
82 LOWER CAMDEN STREET
(AS A GOING CONCERN, IF DESIRED).

Lease 900 years at £38 per annum. P.L.V., £45. The Premises consist of a three-storey building, containing deep Shop, suitably fitted with counter, shelving, etc., and office enclosure. The domestic accommodation comprises 2 sittingrooms (one having new grate, tiled hearth and mantelpiece), 4 bedrooms, kitchen, with new 2-oven close range, pantry, etc. Electric light throughout shop and house. At the rere is yard with ample storage accommodation, and having gate entrance to Pleasant lane. There is a two-storey building in Pleasant lane, comprising stabling and coach-house, with large apartment overhead, which is let to a weekly tenant at 6/-.

CORRIGAN and CORRIGAN, Solicitors, 3 Saint Andrew street.

W. J. HOLDEN & SON,
Auctioneers (M.I.A.A.),
SAINT ANDREW STREET.

WEDNESDAY, 6th FEBRUARY, AT 1 O'C.,
TWO COTTAGES, WITH POSSESSION,
27 MOUNT PLEASANT TER.,
RANELAGH.

7 WOODFIELD COTTAGES,
SARSFIELD ROAD, INCHICORE.

Each containing one sittingroom, one bedroom, kitchen with new range, garden at rere, with coalhouse and w.c. New sewerage. Newly done up and ready for occupation.

Conditions of Sale of both Lots from GORE and GRIMES, Solicitors, 6 Cavendish row.

W. J. HOLDEN & SON,
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SAINT ANDREW STREET, DUBLIN.

FORTHCOMING SALES
BY
McKEOWN, MacKEOGH & CO.

ATTRACTIVE SALE OF COMPACT HOLDING.

WOODFARM, PALMERSTOWN, CHAPELIZOD, CO. DUBLIN.

WE have been favoured with instructions from Laurence Mooney, Esq., to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, in OUR SALEROOMS, 4 HAYMARKET, DUBLIN, on THURSDAY next, 31st JANUARY, 1924, at 1.30 p.m., all the Interest and Goodwill in his compact Holding situated as above, and containing 59a. 3r. 29p., or thereabouts, with neat Residence and commodious Out-offices thereon. I.L.C. Annuity, £95 6/-. P.L.V., £100. Fuller particulars already fully advertised.

HENRY LEMASS, Esq., Solicitor having Carriage of Sale, 31 Parliament street, Dublin. 'Phone 3323.

SALE OF COMPACT PROPERTY.

DUBBER, FINGLAS, CO. DUBLIN, THURSDAY NEXT, JANUARY 31st, 1924, at 1.30 p.m., in OUR SALEROOMS, for Thomas Guiden, Esq. Sale of 3¼ Acres Land, subject to £3 15s. 0d. rent, yearly, under provisions of New Land Act. There is a Residence, containing 3 apartments, also substantially built Barn, Byre to accommodate 4 cattle, and Stabling for one horse, on the property. The lands are in a high state of cultivation.

Solicitors: Messrs. CORRIGAN and CORRIGAN, 3 St. Andrew street, Dublin. 'Phone 1669.

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Auctioneers and Valuers, Live Stock Salesmen and Factors.
4 HAYMARKET, DUBLIN.
'Phone 3. Telegraphic Address: "Factors, Dublin."

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POULTRY, CAGE BIRDS, DAIRY.

ALL Stock Trapnested—Pedigree Rhode Island Reds—Large Eggs, high records; Settings from hens with records to 280 eggs, 10/6 to 25/-.—McCann, Frankfield, Foxrock. 'Phone, Foxrock 43. 8 24

ALL experienced Poultry Keepers get "Jackson" Poultry Houses. Prices on application, Jackson's, Bray. 24 B

A.B. TURKEY Cockerels, splendid stock; Light Sussex, Wyandotte, Faverolle, prize strains, Settings 6/-—Laragh Poultry Farm, Ballinamallard. 24 B

AT Kimmage Grove, Terenure. 'Phone, 443 Rathmines.—Pedigree Cockerels, Pullets, Ducks, Geese, Settings; booking Chicks; six White Runner Ducks and Drake, 35/-; Fat Geese, prepared for cooking. 24 B

A CUSTOMER writes:—"Kindly send 5 cwt. 'Purity' Laying Meal. The last 5 cwt.) is all used up. Cheque enclosed." 18/- cwt., £17 ton. Poultry Food List on application.—McKenzies, Seedsmen, Dublin. 8 26

ANY class Fat Hens, Cockerels required; buyer calls—O'Dwyer, 6 Sussex terrace.

BARNVELDER Cockerels (Baroness de Brienen's best), a few left, 17/6 to 21/-, carriage paid. Pullets wanted; state strain.—Mrs. Gray, Rath, Dundalk. 24 B

BREEDING Pens—White Leghorn and Rhodes, headed by Cocks from Cam, Boucher; White Leghorn and Wyandotte Pullets, Chicks due 30th.—Capt. Kelly, Rush. 24 B

BIRDS—Wanted, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets, any number, weekly.—King, Bird Dealer, Dublin. 24 B

BACK Garden Poultry Keepers—The most profitable layer and table fowl for confined space are the Salmon Faverolles; Settings now booking, 7/- per dozen, Miss Lawlor, Irishtown, Clondalkin. 28 C

BARLEY Meal, finely ground, kiln dried, £10 5/- per ton, f.o.r. Dublin.—Jessop, Maryborough. 10 X

COCKERELS from 12/-; Pullets, laying, 6/- to 8/- each; Light Sussex, Barred Rock, White Wyandotte, Rhode I. Reds; carriage, box extra.—Doyne, Wells, Gorey. 25 D

DAY old Chicks, R.I.R. and W.L., from high grade layers, ready 3rd prox. and every week; 18/- dozen if called for.—31 Claremont road, Sandymount.

EGGS ready at 8/6, 12/6, from Ireland's foremost breeder, the only breeder whose birds ever made five world's records for laying, winner of silver cups, 1st prizes, etc.; White Wyandottes, White Leghorns, Light Sussex, Runner Ducks. Day Old Chicks, 25/- dozen; White Wyandotte Cockerels, 21/- each, 1924 list ready.—Mrs. Strong, Moate, Kells, Meath. 23 B

EGGS, guaranteed new laid, supplied to retailers or private customers weekly; sent rail; sample on request.—F 468, this office. 26 D

EGGS—Wyandotte (Strong's), Rhode (Measures'), 8/6; Special Rhodes, 239 cock, 12/6; Runner Drakes (Taylor's), 7/6.—Fairyhill, Blackrock. 27 D

FOR Sale, W. Leghorn and Rhode Pullets, 1923, laying; make grand breeding stock; 6/- each to clear.—Jackson, Boghall, Bray. 24 B

FOR Sale, Black Minorca Cockerels, pure bred, fine birds, 8/- each.—Ivy House, Seabank, Castlebellingham. 25 C

FOR Sale, 3 A.B. Turkey Cockerels, Department ringed; also one Embden Gander, ringed; splendid stock birds. Apply Mrs. Cullen, Rathmore, Ashford, Co. Wicklow.

FOR Sale, Pure R.I.R. Cockerels, Canadian strain, splendid birds, 12/6, carriage paid; Hatching Eggs, 5/6 dozen.—Miss Braddell, Modelligo House, Fermoy.

GET the famous Gloucester Incubators and Brooders if you want March chickens.—The Dairy Engineering Company of Ireland, Ltd., 21/22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 9 T

GREEN Bone Grinder Wanted. Address all particulars "Z 4490 Grinder," this office. 26 B

HOUSES for Poultry—Lists from Manufacturers, Geo. Perry Co., Ltd., Camden Row, Dublin. 2 X

K.L.M. Poultry Food takes the place of Summer insects; analysis guaranteed; 15/ per cwt., carriage paid.—J. Kilpatrick, 37 Church lane, Belfast. X

LARGE Roasting Fowls, 7/- to 8/- pair; Fat Ducks, 8/- couple; Large Boiling Fowls, 6/- pair; terms cash; trussed, post free.—Miss Spillane, Poultry Stores, Rosscarbery, Cork. 25 D

LARGEST and best Boiling Fowls, 7/- pair; large Roasting Chickens and Ducks, 7/5 pair; ready trussed, post paid.—Mollie O'Donoghue, Convent road Shop, Rosscarbery, Cork.

LARGE Fatted Roasting Fowls and Ducks, 7/6 pair; larger, 8/- terms cash, trussed for table, post free.—Donovan, College road, Rosscarbery, Cork. 26 C

MISS Nunan, Poultry Instructress, Ennis, writes:—"I have used Ovelle Spice with excellent results." 7½d., 1/3, and 2/6 packets. From Crawford and Sons, Talbot street, and Miss Heggarty, Mill Stores, Harold's Cross. 12 18

M.B.B. Poultry Meal, containing meat, beans, and bone, induces natural laying, 17/6 for single cwts., or 80/- for 5 cwt., carriage paid.—O'Hare, Mayobridge, Newry. 12 18

PHEASANTS, for restocking. Apply W. Bull, Newcastle, Ballymahon. 12 23

POULTRY Houses for Sale, well made of best timber; half city prices.—E 1776, this office. 24 B

PLYMOUTH Rock Chickens, also Rhodes, due 29th and weekly, 15/6 dozen, free; Cockerels, 10/6 each.—Mrs. Cusack, Ardee. 25 C

RHODE Island Reds (pure Measures'), Pullets, five months old, 6/- each; Pure White Wyandottes, same price; Day Old Rhodes now, and on 3rd, 15/6 dozen, all bred from heavy winter layers, carriage extra.—Mackenna, Straffan House, Straffan.

WINTER laying hens fill the purse. Ensure eggs daily throughout winter by using Karswood Poultry Spice (non-forcing; packets 7½d., 1/3; Karswood Meal, 3½lbs. 11½d.—Blanchardstown Flour Mills, 119 Thomas st., Dublin. 21 6

WANTED, a pure Indian Game Cockerel. State when hatched, weight, and price to McKellar, St Marnock's, Portmarnock. 24 B

WINNERS "Daily Mail" Two Years' Laying Test were reared on Karswood Complete Poultry Meal, 3½lbs. 11½d., 7lbs. 1/10, from Atkins and Co., 54 South Mall, Cork, and Branches. Karswood Poultry Spice, non-forcing egg producer, packets 7½d.; postage extra. 7 25

WANTED, R.I.R. Pullets; reply must state price.—F 563, this office. 28 C

WHITE Runner Ducks and Drakes, 5/- each, carriage paid; 2 White Runner Drakes Wanted.—Smith, Drinagh, Mountmellick. 28 C

WANTED, 20 W. Leghorn Pullets (1923), laying or near to; must be champion pedigree laying strain; state lowest price.—F 540, this office.

5 EGGS weekly obtained from each 1923 spring hatched Pullet on Karswood Poultry Spice; guaranteed non-forcing; packets 7½d., 1/3, bags 3½lbs. 4/2. Karswood Poultry Meal, 3½lbs. 11½d., 7lbs. 1/10.—Findlater and Co., Ltd., Upper Sackville street and Sandymount Green, Dublin. 24 B

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2½", 3525 gals. per hour	95/-
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ALL classes Scrap Metal, Machinery, and Contractors' Plant Wanted. Works Dismantled.—McGowan Brothers, Store street, Dublin.

BURFORD Caterpillar Tractor, Engine No. 41214, frame No 804; can be used as stationary engine; equal new condition and is real bargain; £35.—Parker, "Siddals," Derby. 24 O

DYNAMO Wanted for Charging Battery, 130/150 volt, 50 amps, low speed. Full particulars to Murphy and Son, Graiguenamanagh. 27 C

FOR Sale Electric Light Plant, 20 h.p. National gas engine, suction gas plant, electric light flywheel, belt, dynamo, switch board, 60 cell 529 amp battery set, splendid condition; can be seen working; £270. Address "Z 4476, Engine," this office. 25 O

FOR Sale, 6 h.p. Portable Engine, by Hornsby; also Ladd's Hay Press; both in perfect condition. For terms apply F 503, this office. 28 E

OIL Engines, Grinding Mills, Graters, Threshers, and Winnowers.—The Dairy Engineering Co. of Ireland, Ltd., 21 and 22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 10 T

PLOUGHS and Plough Fittings, all makes, from stock.—The Dairy Engineering Company of Ireland, Ltd., 21-22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 9 T

PRINTING Machine for Sale, Demy Wharfedale (Dawson), in good running order; 2 sets rollers, etc., can be seen on application; price reasonable.—F 477, this office. 26 D

HOUSES AND LANDS.

DOCKRELL LIMITED,

M.I.A.A.,
38 & 39 STH. GT. GEORGE'S ST.

Wood Quay—FOR SALE, fine Shop and Stores, with large space at rear; suitable for motors. Price for all only £1,000. Apply Dockrell Limited, South Great George's street.

Ailesbury Park, Merrion Road—Choice semi-detached House for Sale; electric light, etc.; with possession; moderate price. Apply to Dockrell Limited.

Orwell Park, OR GOOD POSITION RATHGAR—Wanted to Purchase, a well-built House in this district. A good price will be paid for a suitable House. Replies to Dockrell Limited Agents, Dublin.

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THE STAR BUILDINGS, 12, 13, 14 COLLEGE GREEN, and 1 and 2 TRINITY STREET, DUBLIN. Held in fee simple, subject to £55 4/6, and subject to tenants under agreements—estimated to produce £1,959 1/10 per annum, tenants paying taxes, except as to one letting terminating 1st February, 1927. The valuable Corner Shop and Basement will be vacated by the present tenant on 1st February next. Two tenancies, at present under-let, when moderately increased will ultimately bring the net rental to £2,000 per annum, and over.

A PROFIT RENT OF £330 PER ANNUM, arising out of a Gross Rental of £350 per annum, very amply secured by large new Premises in Sackville street, held under a perpetual Fee Farm Rent of £21 0/5, and leased for 500 years at £350 per annum.

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REPAIRS to Engines, Boilers, and Threshing Machinery; all classes of Machinery erected and repaired. Boilers, Tubes supplied from stock.—Wilson and Co., Smithfield, Dublin. X

SCREWCUTTING Lathe, back geared, 6in. centres, admit 3ft. between centres, swing 22in. in gap bed, change wheels and countershaft, in good condition; £25, carriage paid to Irish port.—Parker, "Siddals," Derby. 24 O

SCREWCUTTING Lathe, back geared, 9in. centres, 9ft. bed countershaft, chuck, change wheels; good assortment of tools, rose bits, etc.; this is not a worn out plaything, but a tool ready for work; £27 10/-, carriage free to Irish port.—Parker, "Siddals," Derby. 24 O

WOOD Wool Machine, latest pattern, by Haigh, with Baling Press, for Sale, all in excellent order, with spares; £85.—Thompson, 19 Lower Abbey street, Dublin. 26 O

WOOD-WORKING MACHINERY.—Band Saws, Circular Saw Benches, Planing Machines, Moulding Machines. All in Stock. Come and see them.—[illegible] BROS., DUBLIN.

3 TON Derrick Crane, by Carrick, in excellent order; low price for immediate Sale.—Thompson, 19 Lower Abbey street, Dublin. 26 O

4 H.P. Amanco Horizontal Petrol Engine, magneto ignition, in new condition; £20, carriage paid to Irish port. Inquiries solicited.—Parker, "Siddals," Derby. 24 O

TIMBER.

TIMBER AND CEMENT At Import Prices.
'Phone 4444. 48 TOWNSEND ST. 28 X

FOR Sale, Beech Timber; will be Sold for firewood on Banagher Canal.—W. Hoare, Birr. 25 B

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

MULLERITE Smokeless Sporting Cartridges; pressure and speed guaranteed; best and cheapest.—T. Henshaw and Co., Christchurch place, Dublin. 25 10

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ABOUT Clothes—Mrs. Higgins, 1 Aston's quay; highest prices Ladies', Gents', Children's Left Off Clothing, Jewellery, Artificial Teeth; country parcels received. T

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FOR Sale, strong Horse, good worker; cheap.—East Wall Sawmills, East road, Dublin. 28 E

HUNTER for Hire. Apply James Reilly, Dunboyne. 7 T

HUNTER for Sale or Hire.—James Reilly, Dunboyne. 28 E

MARE, strong, young, quiet, all work; price low.—Blackrock House, Blackrock. 26 D

PONY, 14 hands, 9 years (van), first class animal without blemish; also two Vans (one rubber tyred) perfect condition, suit pony 14 hands.—O'Callaghan, Grocer, Blackrock. 28 E

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WIRE Fox Terrier Bitch Puppy, registered, fit to win; approval, bargain, £3.—Cullen 37 Church street, Portadown. 28 E

PREMISES, LANDS, ETC.

AUCTION, Friday Next, 1st February, at MacArthur's—54 Meath street, Shop and House; possession. 28 E

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SHOP and House, Parnell street (possession shop), rent free for ever.—Etchingham and Co., Lower Pembroke street. 25 O

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AUCTION, 31st January—3 Achill road, Upper Drumcondra, modern, non basement, every convenience; nice situation; possession.—Battersby, Westmoreland street. 24 D

AUCTION, Friday Next, 1st February, at MacArthur's—14 St. Joseph's Parade, off Dorset street; possession; 4 apartments. 28 E

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MELROSE, close Parkgate, N.C. road (possession), modern, two storey, handsomely designed, substantially built; good accommodation, every convenience, large garage. Auction 14th February.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Westmoreland street. 24 D

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NICE Cottage for Sale, in good order, freehold; owner on premises; possession.—No. 12 Dunn's Row, Dublin. 26 D

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SAFE Investment—Modern 7 room semi detached House, Ranelagh district; particulars; low price.—F 545, this office.

TO be Sold, Springfield House, Coliemore road, Dalkey, freehold. Particulars at above address. 25 O

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HOUSES TO LET.

FURNISHED House, Pembroke Township, to Let, April, May, four to six months; two sitting, three bed rooms, modern conveniences.—F 115, this office. 22 B

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TO Let, two room Lodge and large Fruit Garden; ideal for land girl; near Clonskea tram.—F 557, this office.

HOUSES WANTED.

A FURNISHED House required February 1st, £10-£12 monthly; central.—F 445, this office. 27 D

FURNISHED House Wanted, year or longer; state lowest rent, etc.—F 555, this office.

FURNISHED Cottage, with Garden, Wanted, anywhere between Sandymount and Dalkey, convenient train or tram essential; rent moderate, for long let to careful tenants.—F 568, this office. 28 C

HOUSE, with about 7 apartments, Wanted immediately; city or suburbs; good tenant; state rent.—F 518, this office. 25 D

RESPECTABLE Married Couple, no child, require House or self contained Hall Flat, furnished or unfurnished, Dublin or district. Particulars F 605, this office. 28 C

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WANTED, Detached Cottage, North Dublin preferred; garden or small piece of ground. Apply F 599, this office. 28 E

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AT 49 Belmont avenue, Donnybrook—Half House, Furnished; suit 3; electric light, gas cooker. 25 O

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AT 36 Fitzwilliam place—Furnished Apartments. 27 D

AT 2 St. Alphonsus road, Drumcondra—Rooms; board optional; visitors or permanent. 28 E

AT 55 Upper Leeson street, well Furnished Apartments; full or partial board. 28 E

AT 27 Chelmsford road—Large Combined Room or Apartments; h.c. bath; moderate.

A WELL Furnished two roomed Flat, Kitchen.—6 St. Mary's road.

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TO Let, nicely Furnished Rooms.—63 Harcourt street.

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UNFURNISHED self contained Flat (second floor), gas, electric light, bath, etc.; no children.—9 Hume street. 28 E

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WANTED, a self contained Flat, five rooms, in or around Fitzwilliam square district.—F 543, this office. 28 O

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WANTED, Unfurnished House, from Booterstown to Dun Laoghaire; or would Buy outgoing tenant's Furniture.—F 527, this office. 28 A

APARTMENTS TO LET AND WANTED.

APARTMENTS, Furnished, comfortable, select; bath, electric light.—4 Woodstock Gardens, Kingstown. 28 E

BLACKROCK—Comfortable Apartments, good cooking, attendance; suit business gentleman.—F 393, this office. 25 O

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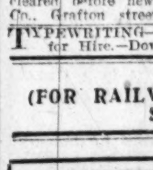

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